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## Shall Southern Baptists Peg Foreign Mission Program

174 MISSION VOLUNTEERS TO BE READY IN 1948

By M. THERON RANKIN  
(Executive Secretary, Foreign Mission Board)

I am asking this question because we are in grave danger of doing that at the very time when world mission needs and opportunities are the greatest in our history. The Southern

### The Washington Review

By Benson Y. Landis  
Secretary, Washington Office Committee, the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America and Cooperating Bodies

(Editor's Note: During the vacation of Larston D. Farrar, Religious News Service correspondent in Washington, notable church representatives in the nation's capital have been asked to serve as guest columnists. Dr. Landis is the second of these.)

### CENSUS OF RELIGIOUS BODIES SUSPENDED

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Director of the Bureau of the Census, J.C. (Continued on Page Two)

Baptist Convention is operating on a program to provide approximately \$20,000,000 of capital funds for the southwide agencies, which, according to present plans, must all come out of southwide cooperative program receipts. Within the next few years, additional amounts must be added to this figure, which will raise it to at least \$25,000,000.

In order to provide these capital funds to be used for operating budgets. It is for this reason that the operating budgets of southwide agencies are to be reduced from \$5,000,000 in 1947 to \$4,000,000 in 1948. Even if the distributable southwide cooperative program receipts should be increased from the 1946 contributions of \$4,600,000.

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Readers of the Baptist Record will rejoice to learn that Dr. D. A. McCall has declined the offer of the presidency of the new college to be established in Arizona. See page 3 for details in Dr. McCall's own words.

## Baptists Buy Episcopal Church "In Wildwood"



By MARGIE P. McCALL

It was just like a real "little church in the wildwood"—the white frame building that nestled in the shade of the great oaks. It was in the settlement, north of Jackson, known as Ridgeland. A generation ago, Episcopal congregations attended worship in it. Now it was not used. Weeds had grown up on the shady lot. Spiders had spun their webs between its dark beams overhead inside the chapel.

Almost within the shadow of the wings of the eagle on the dome of the New Capitol, this community had never had a Baptist church.

Two Mississippi College ministerial students, Clyde Jones, whose home is



in Jacksonville, Fla., and Dick Miller of Myrtle, worked together in the Paul Truitt Memorial church in Rankin county, started by the Floridan. Dick Miller had dedicated his life to full Christian work under the evangelistic ministry of Rev. Percy Ray of Myrtle. He felt God had something for him to do. Accompanied by Clyde Jones, who encouraged him, he surveyed several communities, and discovered that the Episcopal church

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## Clothes For A Million People A Million Dollars For Food Is Baptist Relief Goal

PHILLIPS RE-ELECTED



REV. B. E. PHILLIPS

The Lawrence County Baptist Association met Oct. 7th. with Silver Creek Church and for the twenty-fourth time Rev. B. E. Phillips of New Hebron was unanimously elected moderator. Last year he was sick and could not attend. The association amended its constitution unanimously elected him as moderator, elected a vice-moderator and went right along with their work.

Rev. Mr. Phillips says he thinks the reason they continue to re-elect him is not because he makes such a good moderator but because they have found out he loves them. He says it is an easy task to moderate the association because of such a noble group of pastor in the association. They are: Rev. D. O. Horne of Monticello, Rev. M. C. Nelson, Monticello, R.F.D., Rev. Archie Davis, Monticello, (Continued on Page Two)

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (BP) — The administration committee of the Baptist World Alliance has unanimously adopted recommendations of its relief committee, Dr. Paul Caudill, Memphis, chairman, setting the two-fold goal of "Clothes for a Million People—a Million Dollars for Food" as the next and immediate response of Baptists to the continuing program of relief for war-stricken lands.

The appeal for clothing will be made in November and the appeal for money for food will be made in January or before as the churches may elect. Each constituent body of the alliance will be responsible for the promotion, collecting, and shipping of the clothing and for the raising of its adopted quota of money for food.

The clothing will be shipped through CRALOG, accredited by our government, and distributed by Baptist Bruderhilfe to our Baptist people in Germany and Austria.

### Southern Baptists to Give Help

Southern Baptists have been asked to give half the clothing and half the money, which means a goal of clothes for a half million people and \$500,000 with which to buy food.

Dr. Louie D. Newton, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, has appointed the following committee to make the appeal:

M. T. Rankin, chairman; Mrs. George R. Martin, Miss Blanche White, J. B. Lawrence, Walter Alexander, Lawson Cooke, Duke McCall, George Fraser, T. L. Holcomb, Ellis A. Fuller, James R. Bryant, and David Gardner.

Dr. Rankin announces that his committee will have ready a detailed statement for the churches within a few days, and he expressed the belief that Southern Baptists will promptly and gratefully respond to this appeal to join with Baptists throughout the world in getting clothing and food to neediest neighbors immediately.

## BAPTIST LEADER SEES SPECIAL SESSION IMPERATIVE EUROPEANS NEED AID NOW TO PREVENT SUFFERING

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (RNS) — Congress should meet immediately in special session if America is to prevent its own discredit and that of democracy in countries of western Europe, Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, de-

clared on his return here from a two-and-a-half month tour of the continent.

"Even if starvation and freezing weather could be delayed to fit the congressional calendar, the problem of morale in Europe makes a special session of Congress imperative," he said. "The Democratic leadership of the countries of western Europe will be discredited by American indifference to their present plight."

Dr. McCall said he heard talk throughout western Europe that Communists expect to "take over" during the coming winter. "Unquestionably," he said, "there will be outbreaks of (Continued on Page Seven)

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## BAPTISTS BUY EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN "WILDWOOD"

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formerly located at Ridgeland, was not being used. And from that time forward, the idea blossomed into reality.

Led by Miller, a census was taken showing that enough Baptist families were interested in a church, to ask for a revival meeting. At the close of this the Ridgeland Baptist church was organized in Town Hall with the following charter members: Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Stout, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Sturdivant, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Matthews, Mrs. Blanche Lee Wolcott, Mrs. M. H. Clements, Mrs. Sarah Wills, Mrs. E. Thomas, Elma Jane Thomas, W. T. Kinsey, W. F. Moore and Dick Miller. Upon the request of the new unit, Myrtle church ordained Dick Miller and he was called as the first pastor.

At the organization the church voted to give 10% of its offerings to the cooperative work, wishing to share in God's Kingdom everywhere. They voted to follow the Bible plan of finances, as tithes and offerings. They planned to have the Baptist Record come to every family on the "Every Family Plan". The membership is planning to erect a house of worship suitable for their full needs. Rev. Lowrey Compere of Northside assisted in the organization.

The Ridgeland pastor has grateful praise for the ministers who helped him so much in his first efforts as pastor. Training Union attendance during the summer averaged 40, while the Sunday school attained 50 average attendance. The church is meeting in the Town Hall pending the erection of their building which will replace the quaint old edifice long ago deserted by its members who go to Jackson now. All who have given to State Missions through special offerings or through the cooperative program share in the blessing that this new church will be to God's Kingdom, since State Missions will aid in the building of a church house. Rev. J. B. Parker, aided the church in early plans to buy the property, representing Dr. McCall of the State Convention Board.

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## SHALL SOUTHERN BAPTISTS PEG FOREIGN MISSION PROGRAM

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000 to \$7,500,000 a year, the operating budgets of southwide agencies would still have to be pegged at \$4,000,000 for seven years in order to provide \$25,000,000 capital funds. To do even this would require a 50 per cent increase in

If this course is followed, the Foreign Mission Board will have to freeze distributable southwide cooperative program receipts over the average of the first eight months in 1947. Its world program where it is for the next eight to ten years. The only other course would be to enlarge on the basis of designated gifts outside of the cooperative program.

During the past five years the Foreign Mission Board has increased its annual operating budget by approximately \$1,000,000, has expended or allocated over \$2,500,000 for rehabilitation of war losses, has built up an emergency reserve fund of approximately \$2,500,000, and has expended not less than \$2,000,000 for direct relief. On the basis of the present income, however, the Board has reached the limit of enlargement and must hold its program where it is unless

increases can be made by 1949.

### Tragic Needs

With the most tragic need around the world that we have ever known and the largest open doors of opportunity we have ever had before us, it will be inexpressibly tragic if we stand still at such a time in the life of the world as this.

The personnel department of the Foreign Mission Board has the names of 174 missionary volunteers who will be ready to be considered for appointment in 1948. The present financial outlook of the Board, however, will not justify our appointing more than a total of 80 additional missionaries in 1948.

Spain and Italy both have remarkable openings. We should launch a great training center in Italy to prepare Christian leaders for all Europe. A restudy is to be made in 1948 of the Baptist program in all of Europe and Southern Baptists will probably be made in 1948 of the Baptist program in all of Europe and Southern Baptists will probably be called on to assume greatly increased responsibilities in the entire continent.

What can we say about the tragedy of a tsandstill policy in face of the vast numbers and heart-breaking calls from the Far East, China and Japan.

In these countries we must rebuild plants and residences as we send missionaries. Funds provided thus far for rehabilitation of war losses will cover only about half of the actual losses. A recent survey made in Japan by Dr. B. J. Cauthen and Mr. Edwin Dozier, calls for 60 additional missionaries by 1952 and \$500,000 for buildings and equipment. We should have \$300,000 for church buildings in the Hawaiian Islands in the next three years. Dr. Everett Gill has returned from a stay of two years in South America where he and our missionaries hopefully drew up plans for enlargements in personnel and equipment. Dr. George Sadler is in Africa now where plans are being made to answer some of the calls for enlargement. What shall we say to such calls as these? With the financial prospect outlined above, the Foreign Mission Board cannot hope to do much more than to stand still and hold our own.

If by 1949 Southern Baptists will provide the Foreign Mission Board with 50 per cent of an overall southwide operating budget of \$5,000,000 and will increase the Board's allocation in capital funds by \$2,000,000, we shall be able, beginning with 1948, to appoint a minimum of 100 missionaries a year and to complete within five years the rehabilitation of war losses. At the same time, we shall be able to meet the expenses of enlargement in new buildings and equipment from Lottie Moon Christmas Offering funds.

This statement, "Shall Southern Baptists Peg Their Program of Foreign Missions?" is not intended to imply that the needs of other southwide agencies are any less urgent than those of the Foreign Mission Board. We cannot meet the problem by any method that would provide for the needs of one and leave the needs of the others unprovided.

Surely Southern Baptists will find a way to provide the capital needs of southwide agencies without having to peg their program of foreign missions.

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### PHILLIPS RE-ELECTED

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R.F.D., Rev. E. E. Hedgepeth, Monticello, R.F.D., Rev. C. E. Spain, Silver Creek, Rev. P. B. Green, Crystal Springs, Rev. W. L. Sewell, Prentiss, Rev. R. L. Lee, Jayess, Rev. Mr. Griffin, Monticello, R.F.D. and Rev. G. T. Duke, Oakvale.

When Mr. Phillips first became moderator the association held three sessions. At the first session all the business was completed in two days. Since then only two have been taken. Now they have only one day. He has never had to call a speaker down. He says he always does that before they start. He has never been so much as five minutes late in beginning a session. Has never opened a meeting of the association without having the great commission read, has given the consideration of missions the best hour of the meeting and has tried to make every session as spiritual as possible. Yet he says by no means does he hold himself up as a model moderator.

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### THE WASHINGTON REVIEW

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Capt. has written a letter to the officers of the Association of Statisticians of Religious Bodies saying that all work has now been suspended on the regular decennial Census of Religious Bodies because of the lack of a specific appropriation therefor in the current fiscal year.

Since 1906, the Bureau of the Census has gathered statistical information about religious bodies at regular ten-year-intervals. Most of the governments of the world gather information about the faith of their people.

### Not Economy Measure

It is not accurate to say that the Census of Religious Bodies was inevitably caught up and submerged by the economy wave. The same Congress that dented some \$400,000 for the Census of Religious Bodies in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, also voted \$4,000,000 in new designated funds for a special census of manufacturers in the same year.

### A Double Tragedy

Present developments are regarded as a double tragedy by many church statisticians. The census of 1936 is generally recognized to be incomplete. Probably about 20 per cent of the then existing local churches did not have any reports made for them by their pastors or clerks. There was wide non-cooperation, in fact, a sit-down strike, against the 1936 census on the part of certain ministers. But the incomplete census of 1936 is still being quoted by book writers and others, to the embarrassment of the statisticians of many of the churches of the non-cooperative pastors. And now if there will be no Census of Religious Bodies for 1946 at all, the woe will be the greater among those really concerned with church statistics.

### Trend of Giving to Churches

Church members were relatively much less generous in their giving to religious bodies in 1945, the latest year reported, than they were in the previous big boom year of 1929, experts of the Bureau of Domestic and Foreign Commerce have just disclosed. The figures are a part of a comprehensive re-study of all aspects of national income and of all types of expenditures and contributions by all consumers.

The experts estimate that the gifts of the people to religious bodies were about one - and - two - tenths per cent of all expenditures by consumers



CARMEL BAPTIST CHURCH  
Lauderdale County

(State Missions Help Again)

The Carmel Baptist Church was organized Easter Sunday morning with a charter membership of 33 members. Today it has more than doubled in membership having reached 71 in number.

This church had its beginning last October when a tent meeting was held on Highway 19, a mile west of Vivian, and about six miles east of Meridian. This was one of the meetings sponsored by the State Board last year. At the time of the meeting twenty-five persons accepted the Lord.

At the close of the meeting a Sunday School was organized and less than a month a Training Union was organized. All the personnel of the organization of both the Sunday School and B. T. U. were inexperienced, never working in a church before but being willing to work. The church is growing faster than many of our older churches.

For five months this mission maintained a regular budget contributing to most all phases of our church work including the Co-operative Program, Baptist Orphanage, and other local mission work. This was for five months before the organization Easter Sunday.

On April 6, this year (Easter Sunday) at 7:00 a. m., Dr. McCall preached the Dedication sermon for the new organization.

The picture is of the church building now under construction which when completed will include twelve class rooms, church office, pastor's study, baptistery, kitchen, etc. The basement will be used for classrooms and the auditorium will be on the second floor. The basement floor has also an assembly room that will seat more than 100 which is being used for worship until the auditorium is built.

All this is being done in a community where there is no other church and no former organizations, and by people who have been saved (most of them) in the last few months. Won't you pray for us.

This is needed in many sections of our state. May we awaken to our responsibility, as well as our opportunities.

I'd like to say thanks to Brother Martin J. Gilbert for calling our attention to this section and to the State Board for sponsoring the meetings last year.

J. L. MORGAN.

in 1929, while giving to churches was only about six-tenths of one per cent of total consumer expenditures in 1945.

In round numbers, the estimates indicate that out of some \$78,761,000,000 of total consumer expenditures in 1929, some \$912,000,000 was in the form of gifts to religious bodies. In 1945, consumer expenditures ran much higher, to \$121,698,000,000, while gifts to religion were estimated to be lower, or \$783,000,000.



## Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8

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"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." Jesus in Matthew 7:12

### I

Last summer in answering calls from different directions "to go West," I little dreamed of some things that lay in store. First, a dynamic and spiritual people were met. Some unusually high hours were experienced. After about three days in the assembly, individuals, men and women, started coming from different directions pressing the invitation to head a great Baptist College that is certainly on its way. The call came with such emphasis that real consideration was given it. They were generous in their offer as to salary, expenses, a new home, freedom in management, and Mrs. McCall was to do full time teaching in the college. Dr. Willis J. Ray, Executive Secretary, is one of the finest Christian souls met in journeying anywhere. The same goes for Dr. Vaughan Rock, pastor of the First Southern Baptist Church, Phoenix, Dr. D. L. White, pastor Baptist Church, Casa Grande, along with many others.

One choice dream after another has been fulfilled in this Mississippi Baptist work and a few things are upon the heart of this Executive Secretary yet. One is, I want to see every Mississippi Baptist church doing two things. First, winning somebody to Christ and baptizing them into the membership of the church; and second, supporting all the work of Christ financially through the Co-operative Program. All of our institutions are on a firm footing with only two badly needing help.

After prayerful consideration the following telegram was sent to Arizona leaders:

"Despite appeal of the cause feel must decline with real regret and deep appreciation. You and others have been grand to me. Regards.

D. A. McCALL."

### II

This year a State Mission Committee with E. C. Williams, chairman, and other department heads as members is guiding State Mission promotion. The Convention authorized a major Co-operative Program emphasis, and the usual mission specials. State Mission season is September-October.

Over 100,000 State Mission offering envelopes have been mailed out. We think it possible for them to be returned with an average of at least \$1.00 each. Some will want to give \$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00, \$50.00, or \$100.00! That our Mississippi may not become another Palestine.

### III

Leflore County churches are 100% in Co-operative Program participation. They only lacked one church as seen in the published list two weeks ago and a Co-operative Program offering has come in from that church.

In the printed list two weeks ago, page three, nineteen non participating churches were listed from Neshoba County. Eighteen of those churches came off that list in one day in correcting the list and through offerings sent in for churches. Some general association churches in that county had been listed on the books of the Convention Board because senders of money had given the impression they were of that association.

By the eighth of October, fifty additional churches had been removed from the list of non participating Co-operative Program churches. Let us keep this up until it gets to be 100%.

### IV

#### Question and Answer:

Back in August I suggested that in September I was going to start a question and answer department in this column. The interest of our people in the work and Word is evidence by the large number of questions that have been coming in. Only a few of which have been answered as yet.

A former chaplain, now the fine pastor of one of our splendid churches, desirous of getting oriented as quickly as possible, sympathetically and constructively asks a number of questions about the work. Questions and answers follow:

Question: What of the money for the departments?

Answer: This is given in the State Mission budget recently printed in this column. It includes salaries, office, field, and printing expenses for the respective departments.

Question: How do the salaries run?

Answer: Salaries of office secretaries regularly run from \$130 to \$150 per month, this also holds for workers in the mailing department of the Baptist Record. Bookkeepers get from \$170 to \$200 regularly. Department heads get from \$2700 to \$4000 with two getting \$5000. Field workers get from \$1500 to \$2700. The top salary is \$5300 and an additional \$900 for special expenses.

Question: What is the preaching and promotional cost or so called overhead?

Answer: Last year it stood at \$40,000, see page 78 of the 1946 annual. This represented the low 2% of the total.

Question: What is included in overhead?

Answer: As printed on the page listed above it includes exchange on checks, traveling expense of the Executive Secretary, and a few others, also expenses, salaries of the Executive Secretary, his office secretaries, and his bookkeepers. Certain printing of tracts, postage, phones, lights, telegrams, supplies, auditing, certain promotional expense, and so forth.

Question: To what do the two miscellaneous items, numbers 29 and 30 in the 1947 budget refer?

Answer: The Convention Board unwittingly over appropriated the budget

total. The Convention prevents an agency or institution from planning a budget more than 10% in excess of receipts for the preceding year. To make up for this over appropriation two items in the budget had to be omitted and their monies thrown into the general budget to keep it within the total of \$199,050.

Question: What has the Convention Board office led in saving in interest and promotion these last years?

Answer: First, I led in saving \$300,000 in interest on bonds by raising the money and paying them off ahead of schedule. Next, we have been saving tremendously in Baptist Record finances by getting away from a \$3,000 to \$10,000 annual loss and realizing from \$3,000 to \$10,000 annual profit in a revamping of the business set-up of the Baptist Record Business Management, now managed by the Executive Secretary. Again, the hospital offered \$500 per month to a leader for conducting their financial campaign two years ago. He turned it down and they came back to me the second time. I gladly led in the campaign at no additional cost to the hospital. The same thing was true in the Mississippi College campaign. Other like savings have been effected in the work.

Question: What has the office of the Executive Secretary put back into the work?

Answer: The Executive Secretary has been glad to turn back into the work and for the promotion of the work from \$700 to \$2400 in the way of love gifts and so forth.

Note: I only answer these questions at the insistent request of this former chaplain now a pastor. Most of them have been answered before but not in recent months and these new comers have a right to the answer. I will be glad to give the name of the pastor to any person desiring the name as I am sure it will be all right with him. He is a fine fellow!

### V

The other Sunday in making two rural churches, I was just lost twice during the day and that was each time in leaving the highway and until I got back to the highway. Events made it all absolutely worthwhile, however. Sunday morning Brother Jack Bridges, a Mississippian, now of Atlanta, Georgia, brought a splendid message at Mission Hill. Georgia has had Brother Bridges about long enough, maybe he should be brought back to Mississippi.

After a good dinner on the ground, the congregation assembled in an afternoon service for the dedication of a new building. Brother J. B. Hemphill has led the people there in a constructive ministry. Your secretary had the privilege of bringing the dedicatory sermon.

At night I was at Edna Baptist Church about seven miles below Columbia. Brother H. L. Deer is doing splendid work as pastor and the congregation filled the house. To my certain knowledge a lot of people are going to church these days.

Monday morning, by request of Chairman G. O. Hodge, the writer sat in with the Convention Program committee. Additional members are: Rev. Zeno Wells, Rev. Ray Dykes, Dr. Norman Price.

After spending Tuesday in the office an invitation from Dr. C. Lee Bullard, Tangipahoa Association Program chairman, meant a trip down for a night session of their association. The attendance was good and the spirit very fine. It was good to have fellowship with Dr. Bullard. Louisiana has had him about long enough and one of our fine churches should bring him back to Mississippi.

On Wednesday the writer was privileged to be in the Rankin County Association. The cars covered the grounds about the church and the people packed the building at Barefoot Springs. Brother Smith proved a good moderator and Brother Wayne Allison was certainly a good pastor host. They gave plenty of time for proper discussion of the work. Incidentally, some of our associations have become little religious tea parties in the matter of time assigned in discussing tremendous matters. Not so in Rankin.

Thursday meant a trip down to Mississippi Association. Another great crowd had gathered bent on business for the King, and again sufficient time was allowed for discussing the work of the Lord Jesus Christ. Brother McCool, a Mississippi College mate, kept the Association on schedule and the irresistible Rev. Melvin Wilson was the congenial pastor host.

Friday meant another day in the office and a very pleasant trip to Morton filled the evening. After a delightful meal in the home of Dr. Townsend a final service of the week in Stewardship was held. It was good to have fellowship with Brother R. Y. Gerrard, pastor, and the other saints in this place.

### VI

On Sunday a 400 mile flight took me to Aberdeen, up to Blue Mountain, and back to Aberdeen in four services. Two large and manifestly interested congregations were faced at Aberdeen, and a brief message brought to the Training Union. There was one addition by letter. The evening was spent in the home of Pastor C. W. Thompson. Brother Charlie is known just about all over the state and loved by everyone knowing him. Their young son recently dedicated his life to full time Christian service. Sunday was home-coming day at Blue Mountain. That meant fellowship with Pastor C. J. Smyly, always smiling and faithful in the work of Christ. That meant Blue Mountain College with a lot of fine girls, and altogether a fine afternoon congregation. One splendid col-

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## Sunday, October 26, Is State Missions Day In The Sunday School

## Convention Board Books Close For This Convention Year On Friday, October 31st



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### State Missions Is Primary

We believe in all missions and since we were a child have supported them with our money, prayers, preaching and influence. The only difference in Home, State and Foreign Missions is the place where the work is done.

But if State Missions is neglected other Missions will also be neglected.

The SPECIAL State Mission offering to be taken on October 26 is of great importance to the work of Mississippi Baptists and the Baptist work in Mississippi.

State Missions supports all our work, Missions and otherwise. Our State Mission work is not only supported by the Cooperative Program, but by the special offering taken the fourth Sunday in October in each year, this year on October 26.

Much of the financial burden of the expanding State Mission Program of Mississippi Baptists depends on State Missions and thus on the October 26 offering.

On page 3 of the Baptist Record of October 16 the list of objects supported by State Missions was printed. Read that list again and then have a share in the offering that will determine how those objects shall be supported next year.

The task in Mississippi is great. The resources of Mississippi Baptists are large. We are proud of our State and its resources. Let's try to improve everything about it.

The State Mission offering is not an extra offering but one that is a part of our program.

A word to quarter and a half time churches; If your preaching day does not fall on October 26, take the offering at a time that is most suitable.

If for any reason the offering is not taken on October 26, another date should be set.

Send the money to Dr. D. A. McCall P. O. Box 530, Jackson and state that it is for STATE MISSIONS.

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### What Have We Here?

In a recent copy of another church paper we read the following article, which seems food for thought. Baptists need to step aside and do some quiet thinking. We need to pray. "The prince of this world is Satan." When we are true to God, Satan does not like it, and he intends to make God's true followers suffer the

limit, if he can.

"Lake Charles, La.—Rev. R. O. Bazer, pastor of the Southside church, Sulphur—a good full-time church, about four miles from Sulphur—was arrested some weeks ago and hauled into district court for using a loud-speaker on his church building to send out a brief song service and the preaching of the word.

"With Brother Lewis Grant, pastor of the First church, Iowa, La., I made an investigation and found that his services never went beyond 9 o'clock any night. Nevertheless, he was tried in district court, and was at first given a 10-day jail sentence by Judge Pickrel. Upon being advised by Brother Bazer that such a sentence would be appealed, the judge then fined him \$15, and suspended the fine, which means that Brother Bazer stands before the court convicted.

"This, along with many other incidents which are happening all over our country, reveals to us the war we face from the insidious forces of unrighteousness. It is time that every Baptist preacher, and all who believe the truth and love righteousness, come up to battle against the Philistines! — E. BUTLER ABBINGTON."

And this was next door to Mississippi.

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### The Convention Date

Some people seem to be confused about the meeting dates of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. It meets one week later than heretofore. The dates are November 17-19. The first session will begin on Monday night in the First Baptist Church of Jackson, and the closing session will be held on Wednesday night, Nov. 19. Now that everybody knows the exact time and date, let someone in each church see that the pastor's expenses are provided for.

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### What Plans Now?

What plans have been made now to send the pastor to the Baptist Convention in Jackson? The dates are November 17-19. Every church which has not made plans to send the pastor to this annual gathering should do so at once. There is yet time for even the quarter-time churches to take some steps in the matter.

The information your pastor will gain, and the inspiration he will bring back to you will be a good investment on the amount provided for his expenses to the Mississippi Baptist Convention. The pastor's wife would be greatly helped, and the work she does in the church would be made more powerful if the churches

would send them. What a joyful surprise it would be if some one in the congregation saw to it that a love offering is taken to give these two faithful servants a trip to the State Convention!

Matters vital to the work for the next year will be fully and openly discussed. All the pastors should be there to help guide into the right paths.

Churches, send the preachers!

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### We Like The Idea

The idea of the prayer meetings on New Years Eve in all the churches of Southern Baptists sounds good. Certainly we need to pray. The four suggestions mentioned by the committee from the Home Mission Board which has written letters regarding this are fine.

Last year in the Capitol City of Mississippi, some Christian groups leased one of the Hotel Roof Gardens, and there they staged a Christian welcome to the New Year. This idea was considered an innovation.

We hope many churches will take this idea to heart. In another section of the Baptist Record, you will find the article regarding the New Year prayer meetings, signed by all the Southern Baptist Board leaders.

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### They Analyze It

In a recent edition of a religious periodical a frank discussion was given which analyzes one of the many reasons why numerous church and educational groups do not favor drafting young boys into forced military service in time of peace. This article "calls a spade" in quoting some revealing facts. We reproduce some of the paragraphs below:

The National Civic League has announced its opposition to the compulsory universal military training bill (H. R. 4278) which will be considered for passage by the 80th Congress sometime in 1948.

Dr. J. Raymond Schmidt, NCL's general superintendent, brands the measure as the beginning of an oppressive military system which may well develop into something on a par with the detestable Prussian system at the height of its infamy.

The NCL is especially concerned with the moral aspects of UMT as they pertain to the young men of the nation.

"Eighteen year old boys should be at home, and not in a military training camp, no matter how well it may be managed," says Dr. Schmidt. "Their morals cannot safely be trusted to the Army and Navy, judging by the rate of venereal disease which is six times as great in the Army, and seventeen times as great in the Navy, as in civilian life. One does not easily forget how the Army and Navy forced drink and vice on the boys who responded to their country's call during World War II.

"But backers of H. R. 4278 will

point to Section 374, which calls for punishment of trainees guilty of the possession of intoxicating liquor in violation of orders in camp, quarters, station, ship or command.

"There is not a word in the bill saying that beer will be banned. Some of us remember too well that during the recent war the War Department took over the job of distributing and selling beer to the boys in our Armed Forces. For proof, note these words of Kenneth Laird, whose business is handling beer advertising, as spoken to a group of brewers early this year, and reported in The Brewer's Journal: 'Ten million GI's have learned to know and to like beer much earlier than they would have done as civilians. . . For five years there has been no need to sell. Uncle Sam has been your sales manager and the best your ever had.' "

In 1948 this matter will be faced. All Christian people should seek the will of God and the good of youth in this matter. The leading of God instead of the politicians should be followed. This matter concerns all families with sons, and cannot be carelessly dismissed.

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### Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—  
Editor.

### Contrasts

Man's goodness is to be measured, not in his capacities for destruction, but in his power of construction. It is easy to destroy, but difficult to build. A simpleton can pull down, but it takes a man of skill to build up. A child can strike a match and start a conflagration that will destroy a city; but to build a city takes the skill of architects and engineers, of artisans and workmen.

A man builds a good reputation through years of right living, of honest dealings, and reliability. It is possible for some foolish or malignant person to start an idle rumor which will tear down the good opinion which it has taken so many years for a man to build up. The human body comes to full maturity through years of growth exercise and food, through sleeping and waking, yet one little germ can in a few hours wipe out the life and destroy the body. Certainly, therefore, the writer of Ecclesiastes was speaking an apparent, though vital truth, when he declared, "One sinner destroyeth much good" (Ecclesiastes 9:18). Evil companions can in a few hours corrupt the young mind that parents and teachers have spent years in instructing. One lie started by a thoughtless or preverse individual can take away the truth which good men have worked through the months to implant.

One mistake can ruin a life. One mad man in a position of power can lead a nation to destruction. One preacher of a false doctrine, a wolf in sheep's clothing, can ravage the flock of God and destroy many of the Father's little ones. How essential it is, therefore, that God's people stay busy when Satan is so industrious and so effective in his work of destruction.—Fellowship News.



## GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13c and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that they profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

### GREENWOOD, FIRST, IS NUMBER 874

The latest church to adopt the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record was First Church, Greenwood, Mis-



REV. J. H. KYZAR

issippi, Rev. J. H. Kyzar, Pastor.

Having had experience with the EVERY FAMILY plan in former Pastorates, one of the first recommendations at Greenwood was that the Baptist Record be made a part of the Church program.

While Pastor at Drew, Rev. Kyzar lead the church to put the Baptist Record in its budget. This church was one of the very first to do so after the depression.

Pastor Kyzar speaks in highest terms of the fine spirit of cooperation on the part of everyone.

### MCCURTAINS CREEK

The Baptist Record is glad to welcome McCurtain's Creek Church in Choctaw County on the growing list of churches that have made the Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY Plan a part of the church program. The list was sent by Mrs. Hugh Reed.

Baptist Record readers in Choctaw County are now listed as follows:

Ackerman 98, Bethany 14, Bethlehem 17, Beulah 6, Blythe 1, Clear Springs 3, Concord 60, Covenant 21, Crepe Creek 8, Fellowship 2, McCurtain's Creek 8, Mt. Moriah 32, Mt. Pisgah 22, New Zion 33, Providence 4, Weir 51.

### WINONA

Between associations I spent the night at Winona and attended Prayer Meeting. The attendance was good. I have seen fewer people at some Sunday night service in larger churches.

I told them some of my experiences during my recent tour of Europe.

Pastor C. D. Hamlett, III has recently completed four years as pastor and from the Bulletin we gleaned the following facts: The Sunday School enrollment has grown from 191 to 555; the Training Union from 53 to 100 there have been 186 additions,

### JAMES RILEY ORDAINED

The Rev. James Burton Riley of Hattiesburg, who recently was called to be pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Lamar County, was ordained to the ministry on September 5 at Fifth Avenue Baptist Church in Hattiesburg.

Mr. Riley is a graduate of Mississippi College and has been pursuing his theological training at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky.

The Rev. Thomas S. Messer, pastor of Twenty-Eighth Avenue Baptist Church in Hattiesburg, served as clerk of the ordination, reading the reports and recommendations of the presbytery which had previously examined Mr. Riley.

Dr. Joel C. Murphy, pastor of Fifth



REV. JAMES B. RILEY

Avenue Baptist Church, preached the ordination sermon. The Riley Virgil Ratcliff, pastor of Petal-Harvey Baptist Church, delivered the charge to the minister. The Rev. E. G. Hancock presented the Bible.

All ordained ministers and deacons present participated in the "laying on of hands." The ordaining prayer was led by Judge J. D. Caperton.

The following ministers participated in the ordination: J. C. Murphy, Troy Sumrall, John M. Foye, John Barnes, T. W. Talkington, Bill Stewart, Virgil Ratcliff, Garland McInnis, E. G. Hancock, and Thomas Messer.

126 by baptism; total contributions have amounted to \$47,518 - of this Missions has received \$15,459. So far there have been 91 new Tithing Cards signed. The tithing list now totals 172.

Montgomery County Record readers are now listed as follows: Bethlehem 23, Duckhill 29, Eskridge 1, Hays Creek 31, Kilmichael 60, Mulligan Springs 30, Mulberry 14, Poplar Springs 1, Scotland 34, Shiloh 6, Stewart 1, Winona 160.

### MADISON COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The Madison County Association met at First Church, Canton, Dr. John W. Landrum and the church entertained in the usual manner. Officers elected were: Moderator, Rev. C. O. Estes; Assistant Moderator, Rev. O. B. Beverly; Clerk and Treasurer, Dr. John W. Landrum.

The annual sermon was preached by Rev. C. O. Estes and it was a thought-provoking and inspiring message and many expressed appreciation of the sermon.

A new church, Ridgeland, Rev. Richard A. Miller, pastor, was received into the Association. And to prove

### MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

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lege girl came up after the message saying she had been wavering in facing a call to Foreign Mission service but that with the message the die was cast in favor of a life in Foreign Mission service. Doxology!

### VII

The other day I was at an association when a person publicly asserted one of the churches listed on the chart as non-contributing had sent a Co-operative Program contribution. Another person suggested the contribution had been sent a day or two after the period of time shown on the chart. Coming back to the office and looking over the books some days after it was stated that offering was sent, no record of it is found. Of course, our bookkeeping department will make an occasional mistake. Once in a great while an offering may be lost in the mails. These are the exceptions, however.

First, I want to caution persons against declaring that offerings have been sent when frequently they have not been sent at all. Such over-statements raise hurtful questionings!

Second, I would urge treasurers to send in monies weekly (the Bible Plan of giving—1 Corinthians 16) or at least monthly. That is business like! It will also create faith in the work and workers of Christ!

The people have a right to expect faithfulness in the handling of tithes and offerings all along the line!

### Russell Heads Union In Lawrence County

B. T. Russell has been named as Associational Director of the Lawrence county Training Union, and the following will serve with him for the next year: Wilmer Letchworth, Associate Director; Rev. M. C. Nelson, Pastor-Advisor; Julius Nelson, Chorister; W. J. Nelson, Pianist, and Miss Joyce Russell, secretary. The next session will be held with Wanilla church the first Sunday in January. The recent session met at Shiloh church, using the theme, "Follow Me."

Ben Douglas and Betty Joe Smith of Shiloh led the praise and devotional period. J. W. Hedgepeth of Carmel church gave a good talk on, "Why I Believe in Training Union." A duet by Carmel and a quartet by New Zion members provided beautiful special music. Robert Burkett of Monticello gave a poem, "Follow Me." Rev. C. E. Spain of Silver Creek gave the message on, "Forward With Christ."

Carmel and Wanilla unions tied for the efficiency banner with a grade of 92. Since Carmel has been holding this banner it was decided to award it to Wanilla. Carmel merited the attendance and percentage banners, also. The meeting was well attended.

### First Church, Natchez Holds Training Union Study Course

First Baptist Church, Natchez held a Training Union Study Course the week of October 5-9 with the general theme "The Bible"

The Juniors studied "Bible Heroes" under the direction of Mrs. T. T. Towles. Intermediates, under the direction of Mrs. J. C. Greenoe, Vicksburg, studied "Growing in Bible Knowledge." Waudine Storey directed the study of "The Books of the Bible" for Young People, and Miss Edith Brooks, newly elected Training Union director for the year, taught the Adults in "The Growing Christian." There was an average attendance at the school of 40.

The Training Union is looking forward to a splendid year of work under Miss Brooks leadership.

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### Urgent Request

The programs for the district Brotherhood conferences appear in the Brotherhood column in this issue. An urgent request is being made that each pastor or Brotherhood president see to it that the host pastor or college president where his district is to meet is advised immediately how many to prepare meals for. Thanks.

W. R. ROBERTS,  
State Secretary.

that it is better late than never, the 1946 minutes were distributed.

Record readers in Madison county now number: CAMDEN 22, CANTON, FIRST 287, CANTON, CENTER TERRACE 91, FARMHAVEN 20, FLORA 52, Good Hope 1, LULA 19, MADISON 28, LONE PINE 10, RIDGELAND 8.

### TALLAHATCHIE ASSOCIATION

The Tallahatchie County Association met with the Philadelphia church. The attendance was good and the reports were well prepared. I did not hear all the reports but none of those that I heard were read word for word from the information sent out by the various departments.

Officers elected were: J. U. Herbert, Moderator; Rev. Kermit Canterbury, Vice Moderator; Rev. J. A. Ousley, Clerk; A. J. Cole, Treasurer.

The associational sermon by Rev. Kermit Canterbury, Charleston pastor, was outstanding.

The Rev. O. B. Robinson, pastor of the host church, has recently resigned.

The dinner served by the women of the Philadelphia church will be long remembered by those fortunate

enough to be present.

Tallahatchie County now has record readers listed as follows:

Brazil 14, Cascilla 24, Charleston 148, Cowart 21, Friendship, No 2-55, Mt. Pisgah 2, New Life 4, Paul Church 19, Paynes 52, Pharsolia 1, Philipp 6, Spring Hill 38, Sumner 36, Tutwiler 7, and Webb 40.

### PLEASANT RIDGE PRENTISS COUNTY

Rev. John B. Laney, Prentiss County missionary, knows the value of a good start. He recently led in the organization of a new church which has been named Pleasant Ridge. He has also made arrangements for the Baptist Record to go to the families of the church on a trial basis.

Prentiss County Record readers are now listed as follows: Pleasant Ridge, 9; BALDWIN, 84; BOONEVILLE, 148; Chandler's Chapel, 5; East Prentiss, 2; Gaston, 30; Ingram, 1; MT. OLIVE, 26; OSBURN CREEK, 39; Pine Grove, 18; THRASHER, 35; WHEELER, 46.



## --Woman's Missionary Union--

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson  
Young People's Sec'y—Miss Nell Taylor

DISTRICT IV ALCORN		DISTRICT V ATTALA	
Association	\$ 4.46	Total Gifts for District VII	\$12,109.98
Corinth 1st	403.50	Bowlin	\$ 11.00
Corinth Tate St.	122.00	Kosciusko, First	278.00
Corinth West	75.00	Kosciusko, Westside	55.00
Hinkle Creek	5.00	McAdams	55.00
Holly	8.54	McCool	5.00
Kossuth	61.00	Pleasant Ridge	6.30
	\$ 679.50	Sallis	94.50
		Unity	10.00
		TOTAL	\$514.80
CHICKSAW		CHOCTAW	
Arbor Grove	\$ 12.34	Ackerman	\$ 242.50
Houlka	43.00	Weir	50.00
Houston	299.20		
	\$ 354.54	TOTAL	\$292.50
LEE		CLAY	
Macedonia	\$ 10.00	Pheba	\$ 13.50
Nettleton	27.70	West Point, First	1,623.65
Plantersville	146.85		
Priceville	25.00	TOTAL	\$1,637.15
Saltillo	48.00	Association	\$ 25.00
Shannon	57.50		
Sherman	189.00	LOWDNEE	
Tupelo, Calvary	664.10	Border Springs	\$ 35.00
Tupelo, 1st	510.00	Columbus, Calvary	41.69
Tupelo, Harrisburg	335.33	Columbus, East End	43.00
Union Hill	31.00	Columbus, First	851.13
Verona	42.55	Mt. Vernon	50.00
Guntown	2.00	New Salem	36.00
	\$ 2,089.03	Pleasant Hill	14.00
		Plymouth St.	15.12
		Mt. Zion	5.00
		TOTAL	\$1,140.94
MONROE		NOXUBEE	
Aberdeen 1st	\$ 370.00	Brooksville	\$ 231.00
Amory	290.00	Concord	36.25
Becker	20.00	Macon, First	268.70
Center Hill	5.00	Shuqualak	137.00
Central Grove	23.00		
Prairie	22.00	TOTAL	\$673.06
Smithville	11.50		
	\$ 741.50	OKTIBBEHA	
PONTOTOC		Adaton	\$ 15.00
Association	\$ 5.00	Bethesda	69.85
Algoma	7.55	Longview	18.00
Cherry Creek	30.79	Maben	57.80
Ecu	135.25	Morgan's Chapel	61.00
Endville	24.16	Pleasant Ridge	5.00
Longview	103.64	Starkville, First	606.02
Pontotoc	331.25	Sturgis	89.25
Randolph	15.00		
Toccopola	5.00	TOTAL	\$921.92
Toxish	25.00	WINSTON	
West Heights	17.45	Ellison Ridge	\$ 25.00
Zion	105.00	Enon	20.00
	\$ 805.09	Harmony	3.50
PRENTISS		Hopewell	3.89
Baldwyn	\$ 175.73	Liberty	18.39
Booneville	198.00	Louisville, East	15.00
Wheeler	30.50	Louisville, First	711.00
	\$ 404.23	Macedonia	15.00
		Mt. Carmel	197.50
TIPPAH		Murphy Creek	25.00
Chalybeate	\$ 100.00	Shiloh	12.95
Harmony	26.00	Union Ridge	1.35
Lowrey Memorial	300.00		
Ripley	332.64	TOTAL	\$1,048.58
Walnut	274.30	ZION	
	\$ 1,039.94	Eupora	\$ 435.50
TISHOMINGO		Mantee	63.00
Ashland	7.00	Mathiston	47.70
Association	5.00	Mt. Zion	6.00
Belmont	37.00	Cross Roads	5.00
Burnsville	7.00		
Iuka	95.50	TOTAL	\$555.20
	\$ 144.50	Total Gifts for District V	\$ 6,784.15
UNION		DISTRICT VI CLARKE	
Glenfield	\$ 10.00	DeSoto	\$ 27.50
Myrtle	91.42	Enterprise	101.25
New Albany	426.67	Harmony	33.50
Old Oak Grove	27.50	Pachuta	206.25
Wallerville	31.00	Quitman	450.00
	\$ 586.59	Shubuta	63.10
Total for District IV	\$6,844.92		

Stonewall	12.50
TOTAL	\$894.10
JASPER	
Bay Springs	\$ 1,206.54
Edon	38.85
Fellowship	60.00
Heidelberg	139.95
Louin	89.00
Montrose	37.50
New Fellowship	103.00
Pine Grove	20.00
Shady Grove	72.50
TOTAL	\$ 170.34
KEMPER	
Center Ridge	\$ 15.00
DeKalb	43.34
Scooba	112.00
TOTAL	\$1,762.34
LAUDERDALE	
Causeyville	\$ 16.00
Long Creek	5.00
Marion	22.00
Meridian, First	970.56
Meridian, 8th Ave.	7.50
Meridian, 15th Ave.	965.00
Meridian, 41st Ave.	70.25
Meridian, Highland	594.32
Meridian, Oakland Heights	14.00
Meridian, Poplar Springs	268.50
Meridian, Southside	125.00
Midway	55.00
New Hope	52.25
Oak Grove	37.25
Russell	30.00
Toomsaba	5.00
Kewanee	10.00
TOTAL	\$3,248.13
LEAKE	
Carthage	\$ 453.07
Freeny	32.00
Lena	202.84
Tuscola	14.00
Walnut Grove	286.45
Madden	5.00
Wiggins	2.00
TOTAL	\$995.36
NEWTON	
Bethel	\$ 7.00
Clarke, Ven Memorial	175.25
Hickory	231.55
Liberty	19.52
New Ireland	5.00
Newton	332.75
TOTAL	\$771.07
NESHOMA	
Coldwater Mission	\$ 5.00
Dixon	5.00
Laurel Hill	8.75
Neshoba	10.00
Philadelphia, 1st	218.81
Spring Creek	4.00
TOTAL	\$251.56
NEW CHOCTAW	
Hope	\$ 3.00
Bogue Homa	2.50
TOTAL	\$5.50
SCOTT	
Bethlehem	\$ 15.00
Forest	547.02
Harperville	126.71
Lake	100.00
Ludlow	35.00
Morton	897.63
TOTAL	\$1,721.36
SMITH	
Bethel	\$ 5.00
Clear Springs	5.00
Good Hope	5.00
Goodwater	25.00
Leaf River	20.00
Lorena	3.10
Raleigh	28.00
Rocky Hill	6.50
Sylvarena	25.00

## W. M. Hargrave Joins SW Seminary Faculty

Mr. William Hargrave, New Yory City, has been added to the faculty of the Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, as teacher of voice and speech.

Mr. Hargrave for the past three years has been a member of the Metropolitan Opera Association. He is a bass baritone with a rich experience in leading opera roles. He recently turned back unsigned his contract for the 1947-48 season.

He was also one of the most valued announcers for the Columbia Broadcasting System, having announced the Treasury Dept. programs during the war. His ability in both fields makes him a valuable addition to the seminary faculty. He is the son of a Baptist minister who is at present a pastor in Culver City, Calif.

Upon the advice of the doctors he moved to the warm, dry climate of Ft. Worth for the health of his small children.

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## TALLAHATCHIE PASTORS ORGANIZE CONFERENCE

The Pastors of Tallahatchie County met in Tutwiler, Monday night, Oct. 13, and organized the Tallahatchie County Baptist Pastors Conference. They were entertained at Flagg Inn as the guests of Deacon J. H. Everett, of Tutwiler, who is Moderator of the Tallahatchie County Association.

The following officers were elected: Rev. L. F. Campbell of Webb, Chairman; Rev. Charles Magee of Indianola, (Pastor of Pharsalia and other churches); Rev. Charles Everett of Payne, Vice-Chairman and Secretary of the Program Committee.

Other pastors present were, Rev. Dan Cameron, Rev. Kermit Canterbury, Rev. Claude Howe, Rev. F. O. Martin, Rev. Herbert Herrington.

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## Norwegian Names General Secretary Of Baptist Alliance

WASHINGTON, D. C. —(RNS)— Professor A. T. Ohrn, of Oslo, Norway, will become general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, with headquarters in Washington, sometime during the next few months, it was agreed by the Alliance's executive committee, in session here.

Dr. W. O. Lewis, general secretary for many years, will spend most of his time in Europe superintending the contemplated Baptist relief program there. He will remain as associate secretary of the Alliance.

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## California Will Double Gifts

Fresno, Calif. —(BP)— California Baptists will far exceed their quota in the tithing campaign, says Dr. A. F. Crittendon, secretary of denominational work in that frontier state of Southern Baptists.

And he further reports: "Encouraged by results of the tithing campaign and progress during the past year, our annual associational meeting are voting to double contributions to the Co-operative Program in 1948."

Taylorville	61.91
Ted	15.00
White Oak	5.00

TOTAL \$204.51  
Total Gifts for District VI \$10,024.27



## Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary  
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary  
MRS. P. C. FRENCH, Office Secretary

### SUNDAY IS THE DAY

Next Sunday, October 26, is **THE DAY!**

What day?

State Mission Day in the Sunday school, of course. The last Sunday in October each year has this same emphasis.

Therefore, Sunday School Leaders, let's work hard for a great day next Sunday, both in giving information to our people about state mission work, and also in making a most generous financial offering. This goes for the work in Mississippi, right where we live. The need is great and the opportunities many.

Send all offerings to Dr. D. A. McCall, Box 530, Jackson, Miss.

### TITHING CAMPAIGN STARTS WELL

The Southern Baptist Tithing Campaign for the months of October, November and December is certainly off to a great start.

Not many times have we seen any part of the Baptist program that has touched the hearts of more people so quickly than this tithing program.

This is God's way of financing His work, and we certainly can never improve on His plan of doing things.

So, let's press on with the utmost vigor to enlist every person possible in this tithing program for these three months, and then for life if possible.

Sunday school officers and teachers have a wonderful opportunity here.

### SEPTEMBER STANDARDS

The following units became standard during September: Nursery De-

partment No. 2, Parkway Jackson, Mrs. W. E. Clark, superintendent; Nursery No. 2, Ellisville, Mrs. Woodrow Odom; Nursery No. 3, Crystal Springs, Mrs. Lola Bradshaw; Junior Department, Philadelphia First, Miss Zula Walton, Supt.; Rainbow Girls, Intermediate, New Albany, Mrs. E. C. Caldwell, teacher; Goodman Sunday school, Rev. Madison Flowers, pastor, J. T. Skelton, superintendent.

The Sunshine Scatterers, Intermediate class, Philadelphia, Miss Margaret Crews, teacher, earned the Gold Seal for maintaining standard recognition throughout the entire year.

Our hearty congratulations to all these leaders for this fine work.

### BIBLE STUDY WEEK

Realizing the value of Bible study in the lives of all people; and also realizing that with all the study every phase of church life is giving is insufficient, it has been recommended that the second week in January each year be designated as **BIBLE WEEK** in the churches, and that January 5-9 be used for 1948.

It is hoped that the first full week in January each year will be definitely put on the calendar for Bible Study Week.

This study will be led, or directed, by the pastor. The Sunday school organization is charged with the responsibility for its promotion.

The book, **STUDIES IN EPHESIANS**, is suggested for 1948.

Sunday school leaders, start planning now for a great Bible Study Week, January 5-9, 1948. This is not for awards, but for more Bible Study.

Cavert of New York, who issued the invitation, Dr. Newton declined "on the ground that to accept would, from my point of view, imply at least tacit acknowledgement that Mr. Taylor's mission to the Vatican was thus approved. This I cannot do."

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Rev. Fred B. Bookter, Pastor of Central Church of McComb, recently sent a nice list of renewal subscriptions for which the Baptist Record is very grateful.



### DR. H. H. MCGINTY NEW EDITOR IN MISSOURI

Kansas City, Mo.--(BP)—Dr. H. H. McGinty of Cape Girardeau, Mo., has been elected editor of the **Word and Way**, Missouri Baptist publication, it was announced by Dr. T. W. Medearis, general superintendent of the Missouri Baptist General Association.

Dr. McGinty, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Cape Girardeau and moderator of the state association, will succeed Dr. Lewis A. Myers, who has resigned effective November 1 to become editor of the Baptist New Mexican.

The new editor was born in Alabama, and was educated at Howard College and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has held pastorates in Alabama, Arkansas and Kentucky, and served on the state executive boards of Arkansas and Kentucky Baptists.

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Argentina, which is rapidly being transformed into a totalitarian state, (March 14, 1947) made special instruction in the Roman Catholic religion obligatory in all state schools, primary, post-primary and secondary. The Confederation of Evangelical Churches of the River Plate are continuing their fight for constitutional principles which will assure complete equality for Protestants and Roman Catholics—United Evangelical Action.

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### BAPTIST LEADER SEES SPECIAL SESSION IMPERATIVE, EUROPEANS

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turmoil within the next few months as people weakened by hunger lash out with their remaining strength to seize any offer of help from any quarter."

Dr. McCall is convinced "there will be no war as long as the United States maintains its military power." But he warned that the people of Europe are afraid and doubtful, and that "any action which can be construed as weakness on the part of the United States, or withdrawal of the United States from European Affairs, would immediately pave the way for a wave of Russian aggression throughout the continent.

"At the same time," he continued, "the United States must make it clear to European peoples that it seeks only their freedom and is not interested in controlling their internal affairs. Communists have succeeded in creating grave doubts in the minds of many people as to the desire of the United States to dominate the whole world. We must recognize the right of other peoples to choose a different form of government from ours. Our only concern is that it be a free choice."

There were 20 additions to Reedy Chapel Church, Webster County, during the annual revival during July. The above picture shows the baptismal scene with Pastor R. B. Hicks in the right forefront.

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### UNION ATTENDANCE October 12, 1947

Church	S.S.	B.T.U.
Oak Grove, Calhoun Co.	76	71
Brooklyn	105	95
Magee's Creek, Walthall Co.	108	141
Cross Roads, Webster Co.	75	39

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Jackson, Parkway	595	232
Crystal Springs	780	145
Booneville, First	265	106
Wellman, Lincoln Co.	72	57
Shayden, Marshall Co.	60	38
Friendship, Pike Co.	181	93
Paynes, Tallahatchie Co.	126	63
Wallerville, Union Co.	74	62
Soso, Jones Co.	97	41
Centerville	128	28
Chalybeate, Tippah Co.	50	44
West Laurel	390	115
Greenville, First	606	290
Columbus, First	821	261
Crystal Spring Church, Walthall Co.	115	92
Batesville, First	195	32
Pascagoula, First	670	201
Gulfport, First	565	118
Hattiesburg, Fifth Ave.	496	155
New Zion, Copiah Co.	83	50
East McComb, Pike Co.	428	179
Brookhaven, First	782	128
Houlka, Chicksaw Co.	116	56
O'Tuckalofa, Yalobusha Co.	55	
Antioch, Lawrence Co.	67	
Enon, Panola Co.	68	47
Murphy Creek, Winston Co.	125	81
New Albany, First	555	235
New Albany, First including North Side Mission	581	
Kreole, Jackson Co.	109	51
Chester, Choctaw Co.	64	
Rocky Springs, Yazoo Co.	44	
Grenada, First	535	105
Center Ridge, Yazoo Co.	81	62
Byram, Hinds Co. S.	103	79
Paul Truett Memorial, Rankin Co.	74	62
Jackson, Davis Memorial	282	103
Jackson, Calvary	1392	316
Jackson, Calvary including Stone Mission	1417	355
Jackson, First	1287	437
Jackson, Van Winkle	325	190
Jackson, Northside	383	107

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Of the 5,996 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention territory reporting no baptisms in 1946, 3,842 have less than 100 members. However, the churches with less than 100 members report one baptism for each 17.6 members compared with one baptism for each 33.3 members for the churches listing more than 2,500 members.

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The Christian Century has called for a Senate investigation of the Taylor Embassy at the Vatican.

## Newton Declines Taylor Invitation

Atlanta, Ga.--(BP)—Dr. Louie D. Newton, president of the Southern Baptist Convention and foremost spokesman of American evangelicals against the appointment of Myron C. Taylor at the Vatican, has "respectfully declined" an invitation to meet Mr. Taylor at the Knickerbocker Club, New York, October 20.

In a letter to Dr. Samuel McCrea

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FRIDAY—

1:30—Registration, assignment of homes, Fellowship.  
6:30—Prayer Service—Margaret McClellan.  
7:00—Piano Prelude; Congregational Singing.  
7:25—Welcome to Meridian—Lewis Nobles.  
7:35—"The Purpose of the BSU"—Jenny Lind Gatlin.  
7:55—Song. Special music.  
8:05—"Christ, the Great Difference"—T. L. Holcomb.

SATURDAY MORNING—

8:00—Breakfast for State Officers.  
9:00-11:00—Fellowship; Talent Parade; Movies; Choruses.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON—

1:00—Prayer Service—Louie Farmer, Jr.  
1:15—Piano Prelude; Congregational Singing.  
1:25—"No Other Foundation"—Chas. Roselle.  
1:35—Panel Forum on Summer Service—Helen Bolt.  
In the Home Church; In Sunday Schools and Vacation Bible Schools; In Training Union Work; In Work Under Music Dept.; In WMU Camp Program; In Youth Revivals.

2:30—Song.

2:35—"How We (Chas. W. Horner) Win Lost Students to Christ," "Secured a BSU Secretary," "Promote the Baptist Record," "Helped Organize a New BSU," "Help Each Other in Our Region."

2:55—Choruses; Special Music.

3:05—"The BSU and Mississippi"—D. A. McCall.

3:35—Simultaneous Seminars:

Prayer and Bible Study—W. C. Tyler.  
What Baptists Believe—W. A. Bell.  
Moral Issues Confronting Christian Youth—John E. Barnes.  
Christian Witnessing—A. Estus Mason.  
Christian Attitudes Toward Labor, Management and Racial Minorities—Harold Basden.  
Christian Standards for Courtship, Marriage, and the Home—Mrs. W. C. Tyler.  
Finding God's Will for My Life—I. E. Rouse.  
Fields for Full-time Christian Service—Jenny Lind Gatlin.  
Duties of BSU Officers—Chas. Roselle.  
Making My Secular Calling Christian—Dick Rollins.  
Making My Campus More Christian—W. E. Greene.  
The International Situation—A. L. Goodrich, Edwina Robinson.

4:45—Adjourn.

SATURDAY EVENING—

6:45—Prayer Service—O. L. Malone.

7:00—Piano Prelude; Congregational Singing.

7:15—"No One Cometh Unto the Father But by Me"—Harold Basden.

7:25—"The Calendar of Events"—Jenny Lind Gatlin.

7:35—Song.

7:40—Our World:

Europe Before the War—Dick Rollins.  
Europe Today—Edwina Robinson.  
The Baptist World Alliance—A. L. Goodrich.  
A Needy World—Chas. R. Gage.

8:30—Song; Special Music.

8:40—"Christ for the Whole Wide World"—D. J. Evans.

SUNDAY MORNING—

9:15—Prayer Service—Riley Munday.

9:45—Sunday School Lesson—Mrs. W. C. Tyler.

10:50—Morning Worship:

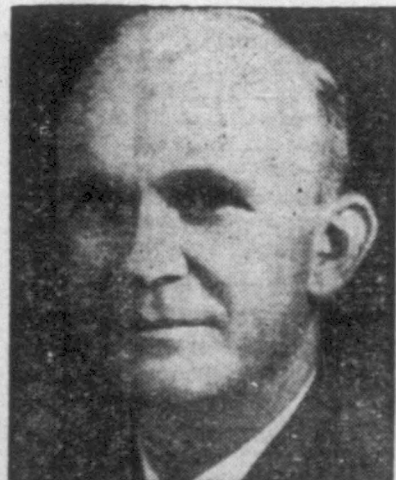
Scripture—Juanita Kelly.  
"BSU, A Means of Exalting Christ"—Wayne Coleman.  
Special Music.  
Sermon by Host Pastor—Paul G. Horner.



HAROLD BASDEN  
Saturday



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Saturday



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Saturday



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Saturday



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Saturday



MRS. W. C. TYLER  
Saturday and Sunday



A. L. GOODRICH  
Saturday



I. E. ROUSE  
Saturday



# Sunday School Lesson

By HIGHT C. MOORE

Sunday, October 26

LESSON TEXT AND OUTLINE

James 1:5-6, 22-27; 2:14-20

I. WISDOM FROM GOD (James 1)

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and unbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering.

II. Obedience TO GOD (James 1)

But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass:

For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth that manner of man he was.

But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.

If any man among you seem to be religious, and brideth not his tongue but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain.

III. RIGHTEOUSNESS BEFORE GOD (James 1)

Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

IV. GOOD WORKS FOR GOD (James 2)

What doth it profit, my brethern, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? can faith save him?

If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food,

And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needed to the body: what doth it profit?

Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.

Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew thee my faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.

Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble.

But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

Phases of Practical Piety

(1) Wisdom. "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God."

(2) Faith. "Let him ask in faith, nothing wavering."

(3) Obedience. "Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only."

(4) Aspiration. "Looketh into the perfect law of liberty."

(5) Perseverance. "And continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work."

(6) Self-control. "If any man . . . brideth not his tongue . . . this man's religion is vain."

(7) Philanthropy. "Visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction."

(8) Purity. "Keep himself unspotted from the world."

(9) Generosity. "Give them . . . those things which are needful to the body."

(10) Faithfulness. "I will shew thee my faith by my works."

Gold in the Golden Text

Faith, if it has not works, is dead James 2:17.

## WAYNESBORO 1ST GIRLS FOSTER NEW AUXILIARY



REV. ELDIE F. HICKS

On Sunday afternoon, October 5, the Elizabeth Hale Intermediate Girls' Auxiliary of the First Baptist church of Waynesboro, led in the organizing of a new Auxiliary at the Pleasant Grove Baptist church. Anna Bess Cochran, the G. A. President of Waynesboro, was in charge. The program was rendered well and the group who observed the fine work praised this G. A. organization, with Mrs. D. L. Harrison as Counselor. Pleasant Grove church is located near Luarel, Miss.

Mrs. C. L. Clay is Counselor of the Waynesboro girls, and was commended for her fine leadership by Mrs. C. O. Beasley, Young People's Leader, and by the W. M. U. president and other church leaders who accompanied the G. A. on this worthwhile trip.

Rev. Eldie F. Hicks is pastor of the First Church, Waynesboro, and is greatly loved by the people. He not only encourages the work mentioned above but all the various organizations.

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The church letter of Main Street Church, Hattiesburg; Rev. J. E. Barns Pastor shows progress along all lines. Something taken from the letter follows: Additions in 1947, 317; in '46, 234. Baptisms in '47, 82; in '46, 75. Sunday School attendance in '47, 674, in '46, 552. Training Union attendance in '47, 251, in '46, 198. Total contributions in '47, \$74,921, in '46, \$64,859. Church membership in '47, 2,025; in '46, 1,839.

Faith without works: is there such a thing? In reality, there is not; but outwardly, there is. The formalist professes faith, but his life belies his lips. He may address a beggar brother in fraternal terms, but go away without lifting his little finger to help. Such a faith is not merely dwarfed and defective; it is — dead!

Works without faith: are such to be found? In plenty; and almost everywhere. People think that to be good they have only to do good—little or much, here and there, now and then at convenience and pleasure. But no one can do enough good things to earn salvation. Hence, works without faith are futile. As faith without works is dead, so faith that brings forth good works is—living.

Therefore, let every man's faith produce good works in abundance, and let his words from the fountain of his faith ripple down a refreshing stream through this desert world!

## PREACHING THE GOSPEL IN PRINT

It is not the writer's purpose in this article to discuss the subject in an abstract way; but to give a concrete example and make some practical observations.

For the most of my forty-two years in the ministry, I have done more or less colportage work.

For twenty years at least, I have represented The Moody Press. Several years ago, while acting as their representative, I accepted their invitation to come to Chicago as their guest and be entertained by them as such. I saw the Moody Bible Institute, the Moody Church, and the Book Department, which is closely associated with the Institute, and in a measure at least caught the spirit of the Institution.

I have said this much to let the reader know that I am at least to some extent prepared to write what follows.

While representing the above named company in my home town of Blue Mountain, Mississippi, I sold three of the Moody Press books to James Howard, a deacon in New Central Baptist Church in Benton County, Mississippi. He carried these books home and read them and loaned them to some of his neighbors, who also read the books. He came back later and bought eighteen more and still later twelve more making thirty three in all. This is a small country church with only once a month preaching; but they have Sunday School. These books were placed upon the piano and the members and friends were invited to take them home and read them and bring them back and get others. The books were widely read for some months before the revival. The pastor did the preaching with no outside help. This deacon tells me that they had the greatest revival in the history of the church. He believes the books had a great deal to do in bringing the revival about. The pastor, Rev. W. B. May of Ashland, Mississippi, feels the same way about it.

There is no way of knowing just exactly how much influence they did have; but whatever it was, it must have been good. Number one in the list of Moody Colportage Library is *All of Grace* by Charles H. Spurgeon, world renowned Baptist minister. His name is a household word in most Baptist homes. He certainly is one of the greatest — if not the greatest Baptist preached of modern times.

D. L. Moody was America's most outstanding Evangelist and like Spurgeon, world renowned. All Evangelical denominations love, honor and respect him for the great work that he did. Many of the early books in the Colportage Library are from his pen. Every book in the library is by some outstanding man, known for his knowledge of and love for the Bible. If there was any question about a man's orthodoxy concerning the divine inspiration of the Bible, none of his books would be in the library.

Not only are these books from the greatest Christian leaders we have; but they have given their best thoughts to them. It certainly is reasonable that every one of them wants to put his very best into the books that are to be read by the public.

The pastor or Sunday School Superintendent who puts the books in his library can be sure that what he puts in is not only from our best men; but that these men are at their best in these books. Almost every phase of religion though is found in these books; the best methods of Bible Study, the best discussion on prayer, and the best on soul-winning. Some are for children and specially suited to their needs. They can be made the pastor's real assistant in his work.

To the country pastor who has more than one church, the books are being read and the messages are going home to the hearts of his people on one field while he is on another field. If he is rained out or sick and cannot get to them, the books will be there doing their work.

Deacon Howard says that a conserva-

tive estimate is that at least 200 people read these books and got a blessing from them.

Bro. J. W. Lee of Batesville, Mississippi, Pastor Emeritus of Batesville Baptist Church says: "We put ninety Moody Colportage Library books in our church. They were read before a revival and we had a great meeting. The books were a factor in the meeting."

The writer has selected from the Moody Colportage Library one hundred of the best books in that library which he calls an Evangelistic Library or a Library of Evangelism. We heartily recommend this library to be useful in doing three things:

1. It will be a wonderful preparation in any church for a real revival.

2. It will furnish excellent spiritual food for any church twelve months in the year.

3. It will be a real safeguard against the many false doctrines that are being preached by the different modern cults.

Any church or associations interested in Church Library work can write me at Blue Mountain, Miss. With the cooperation of the pastors, we ought to be able to put libraries in any association in one week's time. Twenty dollars will put 100 of these books in a church.

C. S. Wales,

Blue Mountain, Mississippi  
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## Lexington Observes Great Anniversary

Long to be remembered was the 101st Anniversary and annual Home Coming Day observed by the Lexington Baptist Church in special services Sunday morning, October 19th. Home Coming Day program emphasized special music, the Co-operative Program, results of a stewardship project initiated seven months ago when members of the congregation were given \$5.00 bills and a morning message by Dr. H. L. Martin of Senatobia, former pastor. Dinner on the grounds was enjoyed and color movies taken of the crowd by H. L. Nichols, Jr. J. R. Williams was Chairman of the Home Coming Committee.

Special musical numbers featured, "God's Sunshine," written by Pastor L. E. Burnette in honor of the Home Coming occasion, and sung by Mrs. S. M. Wells; "Adoration," and an anthem, "Hymn of Praise," by the Choir under the direction of Mrs. J. R. Williams.

An interesting period occurred at the reception of \$5.00 bills plus their earnings. This money will be used entirely for the Lord's Work outside of the local church. Work helpers by the Co-operative Program include: State Baptist Schools, State Missions, Baptist Hospital, Ministerial Education, Orphanage, Baptist Foundation, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Southern Baptist Seminary, Southwestern Seminary, New Orleans Seminary, American Baptist Seminary, W. M. U. Training School, Aelief and Annuity Board, Southern Baptist Hospital, Radio, and Brotherhood.

Others who aided in the program include: Miss Kathleen Busch, W. E. Thurmond, Mrs. E. W. Rainwater, and Mrs. Sidney Henley. Pastor and people were happy over the outcome of the day, one of the outstanding in the history of the church.

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Miss Gracie Knowlton, Waxahachie, Texas, has been added to the Religious Education faculty of Southwest Seminary as instructor of Secretarial Training. Miss Knowlton attended North Texas State Teachers College, Denton, and holds the B. R. E. degree (1940) from Southwestern.





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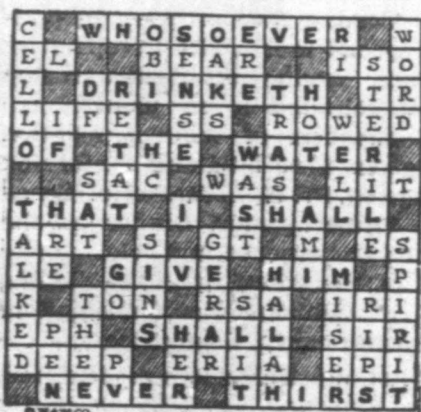
DAUNIE JEAN SMITH, Office Secretary



Lewis Nobles, President of the Ole Miss BSU, whose home is in Meridian, will welcome the visiting students and student leaders to Meridian at the opening session of the State BSU Convention at Fifteenth Avenue Baptist Church, Friday night, October 31.

### POTPOURRI

Lois Abel, of Millsaps, is the first to register for the Convention. . . . Have you heard about the moron ghost who lives in a second story over a vacant lot? . . . At Choctaw Ass'n. meeting in Beulah Church, Brother Ira Metts, of Ackerman, brought a very fine message of emphasis on the Cooperative Program. . . . Then at Holmes Ass'n., meeting in Anitoch Church, Brother J. B. Parker brought a stirring challenge on the same subject. . . . Was privileged to speak myself on this important subject at these two and at Bolivar Ass'n., meeting in Interstate Church, after Brother J. J. Barson opened the discussion, in recent days. During latter trip, I enjoyed fellowship with Riley Munday and the BSU at Delta State, and with Dr. Chas. Treadway, one of our most progressive college pastors, who is leading Cleveland First Church in a wonderful church building program. Also, on this trip, I enjoyed seeing Pastor O. P. Moore, who is a friend of BSU, Carla Allbritton, and students Herbert Savell and Harold Dacus at Moorhead.



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Answer to Crossword Puzzle on Page 14

## Hungarians Thank Baptists For Aid

### New Orleans Baptist Center Will Ship Bundles

NEW ORLEANS — Thank you letters by the score are beginning to pour into the Southern Baptist Church World Service Center office at 740 Esplanade Avenue, New Orleans, La. One was received from Dr. Imre Somogyi, president of the Hungarian Baptist Union at Budapest. This letter was sent in gratitude for a shipment sent direct to Dr. Somogyi from the New Orleans Center. The letter from Dr. Somogyi follows: "It is our privilege to let you know that we received 120 bales clothes and 20 boxes shoes. . . . We are full of feelings of gratitude for God's providence and for your fraternal love, sacrifice and careful work. We also report to you that the contents of the above bales and boxes was distributed among the members of the Hungarian Baptist Churches and Institutions. . . . God bless you all. . . . (Signed) Imre Somogyi, president; Michael

## 1st Church Jackson Eyes New Buildings

### Expansion Plan Is Adopted

Sunday was a great milestone in the progress of the First Baptist church of Jackson when the congregation voted expansion of the church plant to include a new building or buildings on the plots just South of the present magnificent structure of North President Street.

At the close of the morning worship a special business session was held to adopt the church budget for 1948 and to consider the tentative plans outlined by a special committee.

The church acquired the First Christian church property and the Emory property about 18 months ago, and yesterday the congregation committee itself to the development of these properties, when they become available. A fund of \$500,000 will be sought to use in the improvement program, in line with the recommendations of the committee headed by W. R. Newman, and for which J. M. Hartfield and W. F. Bond spoke Sunday.

The church budget, reduced in some minor particulars over the 1947 figures to make way for the raising of \$110,000 additional in 1948 on the building program in commemoration of the churches 110th anniversary totals \$140,000 including \$40,000 to the Cooperative program.

All members of the church staff were given an increase in salary in view of rising living costs.



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LUTHER A. HARRISON, Secretary

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MISS MARGUERITE HUNTER

### CHURCH MUSIC OVER

#### THE STATE AS I SEE IT

By MARGUERITE HUNTER

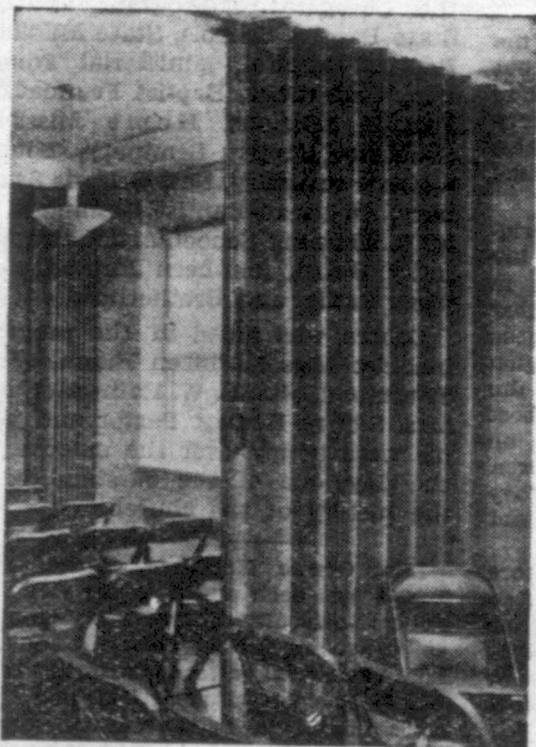
Being a comparatively newcomer to the state of Mississippi, I was very pleased with the response by the people to the efforts of our state leaders in our Church Music program. Everyone was so eager to learn how to sing more beautifully their praises to God. It was a thrill to work with them for the improvement of every age-group which I encountered. In every five night music schools we prepared a beautiful anthem in four parts.

My deepest impression of the Church musicians of Mississippi was that, like in Colossians 3:16, "you are teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord."

Baranyay, secretary; and Fr. Banyal, George Szegedi, Stephen Steiner, members of the Relief-Committee."

Baptists in this state are urged to contribute all of the used clothing, bedding and shoes that they can spare. Thousands overseas are desperately in need of help. Send your contributions to the nearest Church World Service Warehouse. Centers serving the Southern Baptist territory are located as follows: New Orleans, 740 Esplanade Avenue; Los Angeles, 710 Compton Ave.; Richmond, Calif. 3524 Florida Ave.; St. Louis, Mo., 510 S. Elm Ave.; and New Windsor, Md.

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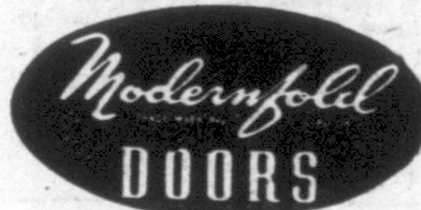
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## • Southern Baptist Foreign Missions •

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Editor, THE COMMISSION

### Face These Facts

The number of applicants for appointment for lifetime service abroad next year is

172

The number of appointments which the Foreign Mission Board can make under the present financial program is only

80

If Southern Baptists will provide the Foreign Mission Board with 50 per cent of a Southwide budget of \$5 million by 1949, the Board will be able beginning in 1948 to appoint each year a minimum of

100

Do we dare to tell them we don't have the money?

M.T.R.

The Foreign Mission Board at its semi-annual meeting held October 14-15 appointed seven new missionaries. Two of these missionaries, Dr. and Mrs. William Donald Moore, will go to China; two, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hatton, to Brazil; two, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Duffer, Jr., to Mexico; and one, Miss Ethel Guest, to Nigeria, West Africa. The Board now has 623 missionaries in active service. The Board adopted for 1946 an operating budget of \$2,582,000.

Dr. George W. Sadler went to Nigeria, West Africa, from the Baptist World Congress at Copenhagen. After spending several weeks in Nigeria he returned to Europe to visit Spain and Italy, with the remote possibility of getting into one of the Balkan states. Concerning the glorious missionary prospects in Spain, Dr. Sadler cabled: "Greetings to staff and Board. Tell them opportunities in Nigeria unlimited. Outlook in Spain never brighter. Passage impossible until November. To Rome fourteenth."

The board commissioned Miss Doris Knight, already in China, to work in the far northwest province of Kansu.

#### EVANGELISM AT RIDGECREST By JOHN CAYLOR

June 1-8 is the date set for the home mission week at Ridgecrest in 1948. Preparations are well under way for a program of evangelism.

Outstanding speakers have been engaged. Dr. R. G. Lee of Memphis will deliver messages on mass evangelism, personal evangelism, and the revival of concern.

Dr. Perry F. Webb of San Antonio is to discuss evangelism as a church-centered movement.

Dr. Abraham Hsu is rendering glorious service as a physician among the people of that province.

All the members of the staff of the Foreign Mission Board were re-elected for another year. The announcement was made that Miss Gene Newton, assistant to the executive secretary, who has been with the Foreign Mission Board for twelve years, will terminate her service with the Board at the end of this year. She is to be married to Pastor Eugene West of Dudley Street Baptist Church, Boston, Massachusetts. She will be greatly missed in the work of the Foreign Mission Board as she had an intimate acquaintance with every detail of our world mission program.

Dr. Frank K. Means, formerly professor of missions at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, has already taken up his new work with the Foreign Mission Board as secretary of missionary education and promotion. Plans are being developed for the correlation in that department of all activities in the Board relating to missionary education and for strengthening the interest of Southern Baptists in world missions.

Dr. T. L. Holcomb of the Sunday School Board will speak on prayer in evangelism and youth evangelism.

Dr. J. B. Lawrence of the Home Mission Board will emphasize the place of the Holy Spirit in evangelism; and Dr. Ellis A. Fuller of Louisville will bring the closing message of the evangelistic week at Ridgecrest on the new birth.

Dr. C. E. Matthews, superintendent of evangelism of the Home Mission Board, will be in charge of the program of evangelism during the week.

#### Direct Missions

Dr. Alfred Carpenter, superintendent



Pictured above are Rev. B. H. Benton and Rev. G. O. Parker with the candidates for Baptism following a revival meeting at Poplar Springs Church in Simpson County. There were 32 additions with 20 coming on profession of Faith.

Brother Benton is continuing the revival meeting through this week that began on Sunday, October 12, at Rolling Fork, Mississippi. Rev. John L. Gilbert, pastor of SoSo Church, is working with him in conducting the song services.

dent of the department of direct missions, will present missionaries from the field in devotional messages before the Ridgecrest meeting and conduct conferences for the missionaries in the field of direct missions, which includes the language groups, good will centers, the work in Costa Rica, Panama, and the Canal Zone, and field work.

#### Rural Missions

Dr. S. F. Dowis, superintendent of the department of cooperative missions which includes city missions, the rural church program, and the work in the western states, will conduct special conferences on rural missions.

Speakers emphasizing rural missions include Dr. O. T. Binkley, Louisville; Dr. J. O. Williams and Dr. C. W. Pope of Nashville; Dr. W. C. Boone of Kentucky; Dr. Courts Redford and Dr. John D. Freeman of Atlanta.

#### General Missions

Heads of all the departments of the Home Mission Board will have part in the program of Ridgecrest, June 1-8, and discussions will be had

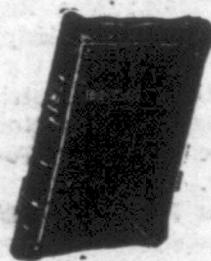
on all phases of home mission work. While emphasis is on evangelism, it is understood that all departments of home missions promote evangelism and will profit by the special emphasis.

#### Change in Time

The change in the time of meeting at Ridgecrest for home mission emphasis is that it is expected the earlier meeting will make it possible for representatives from rural fields to be present at Ridgecrest. The time selected is in advance of revival meetings usually scheduled for the summer, and pastors, rural evangelists, and those interested in evangelism in both rural and city areas are expected to take advantage of the early meeting.

#### The Magazine and the Budget

Unusual interest is being manifested in budget subscriptions to the magazine, *Southern Baptist Home Missions*. It is earnestly hoped that churches will place *The Commission*, *Southern Baptist Home Missions*, and *Baptist Record* in the budget for the coming year. The cost is nominal; the benefits are innumerable.



### National Bible Week, October 19-25 A Special Celebration Offer

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## A LETTER IN PART FROM

COLUMBIA, S. A.

Friends of Mrs. Charles W. Whitten, nee Nella Dean Mitchell (Indy) will be glad to have this word from her. All who read it will be inspired. "At five this afternoon, Sept. 12, we will have spent a very happy month in Medellin. By now we feel like natives except that we are quite 'tongue-tie.' Perhaps you have not been accustomed to praying for the gift of 'tongues,' but that prayer in our behalf is not at all amiss.

"We are in language school which of course requires quite a bit of study. My two years of study with Blue Mountain's 'Miss Bess' is proving most helpful. Charles started at the beginning—which is a rather logical place to start—and is progressing nicely with his work.

"Medellin is the ideal South American city with 'eternal springtime.' The city is surrounded with tall mountains and is at an altitude of over 5,000 feet. I'm told there are about 200,000 people who live here though the city doesn't look as large as Jackson.

"We had a most enjoyable trip here, leaving Miami at six in the morning and arriving at five in the afternoon. You see I 'ain't NEVER rid no airplane before," so I imagine my eyes were open as wide as my mouth. We had brief stops at Camaguey, Cuba and Kingston, Jamaica. A few minutes before five the plane squeezed between two tall mountains and came down at Medellin.

"We have a wonderful maid who cooks, washes, irons, markets, and cleans house. She is a product of the Presbyterian church and has been a Christian for about five years. Besides being such a wonderful helper, she is a constant inspiration to us. Her fourteen year old daughter, Margarita, became a Christian before her mother, and seems to have such a promising future ahead of her. They both felt 'called' to help the missionaries and hover over us constantly trying to help. Here it takes nothing short of the grace of God to break away from the old rut of Catholicism.

"It's heartbreaking to see the ritual which goes under the name of religion in this great country. The cities are full of churches and there is no lack of people to attend. One does not have to be here long to see that people are driven by fear, a sense of duty, and even political ambition. Often we hear the statement 'Politically I am a Catholic; personally I am an agnostic.' 'Christ is always an infant or a bleeding figure on the cross much to be pitied. The other day I read if a man in Argentina wanted to utter contempt for somebody he would say, 'He is a poor Christ.'

We feel sure that God has led us thus far and we depend on your prayers and support. How much the churches back home need to realize that they have a definite responsibility toward the world. Often I think of you and your work. Training Union will always be dear to me. I can hardly wait until we get to Argentina and have a chance to do some Training Union work. Trained leaders are desperately

needed in these churches even more so than at home."

Should you care to write to Nella Dean her address is—

Mrs. Charles W. Whitten, Apartado Aéreo 653,

Medellin, Columbia, South America.

## DE KALB, KEMPER CO.

Under the leadership of Pastor C. C. Weaver the De Kalb Training Union has had a short course in Building A Church Training Program. In addition to this course of study new leaders for the coming year were elected and properly installed at the regular evening preaching service on Sunday night October 5th. Miss Nell Price is the director, Mr. Gavin James, President of the adult union, Miss McDade Leader of the Intermediate union, Mrs. Gavin James, Leader of the Junior union, and Mrs. Atkins leader of the Story Hour. With this splendid corps of leaders they can challenge all other unions in the matter of efficiency. We expect to hear good reports from De Kalb at the close of this quarter.

We have a supply of Bible Readers Leaflets for this present quarter. If you will use them in enlisting your friends in reading the Bible with us daily drop us a card stating how many you can use.

## Mississippi Calendar Of Prayer

October 27—C. D. Shields, secretary-treasurer District Six Brotherhood, Meridian; Mrs. E. J. Mullens, instructor, Home Economics, Mississippi College.

October 28—G. L. Myrick, Director Training Union Association, Attala County; L. R. White, secretary-treasurer District Three Brotherhood, Batesville.

October 29—Dr. W. O. Sadler, Professor Zoology, Mississippi College; B. V. Harper, Director Training Union Association, Gulf Coast.

October 30—Southwide BSU Conference, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. Rosa Quisenberry, Librarian, Mississippi College.

October 31—Brotherhood District Meetings; Rev. George Gay, Pastors' Advisory Committee District Four Brotherhood, Ripley.

November 1—Miss Eunice Smith, Training Union Associational Director, Pearl River County; Miss Jemie Vardaman, Professor Piano, Mississippi College.

November 2—W. Z. Huggins, Vice-President District Six Brotherhood, Quitman; Rev. J. H. Holloway, Director Training Union Association, George County.

"The Prove Me Hour" a series of programs boosting the Southern Baptist three-month titling crusade, have proved extremely popular throughout the Convention territory and are being used still further for their value in the teaching of stewardship. Dr. S. F. Lowe, Radio Commission director, said here. The programs were broadcast by 142 radio stations during September. Dr. Lowe said. He reports that many churches plan to use the records in their own meetings, and the transcriptions will be available for this use as soon as they are returned by the stations.



## Baptist Building in Washington Considered by Leaders

Washington, D. C. — (RNS)—The possibility that a Baptist building will be constructed or purchased for use of the many denominational agencies now located in Washington was suggested by Dr. Joseph M. Dawson, executive secretary of the Baptist Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations, at the quarterly meeting of the executive committee of the conference here.

"By reason of the necessity for permanent office quarters, this matter should be referred to some committee which could confer with a like committee from the Baptist World Alliance and the Washington District Baptist Headquarters Committee with a view to exploring the possibilities of a suitable Baptist building," Dr. Dawson told his official board.

No formal action was taken, but it was agreed that plans looking toward an expansion of office space for official Baptist agencies should be considered. At present, all the Baptist agencies—local, national and international—are crowded into a small building at Eighth and H Streets, N. W., directly behind the Calvary Baptist church.

With the moving of official Baptist World Alliance headquarters from London to Washington and expansion of other denominational activities here, it is felt that such plans will have to be speeded up in the immediate future.

## Favorite Hymns To Feature Baptist Radio Hour Programs

Atlanta, October 8 — Favorite Baptist hymns, determined by a poll of Southern Baptist churches, will be featured on the 1948 Baptist Hour, to be broadcast January through March over a network of 59 stations covering the entire Convention, it was announced today by Dr. S. F. Lowe, Director of the Radio Commission.

The Training Unions will conduct the polls in the individual churches, and hymns receiving the highest number of votes will be featured, one each week on the Baptist Hour.

All those interested in having a part in the poll are urged to list their five favorite hymns, and turn the list over to their Training Union Director; or in churches without Training Unions, to send them directly to the Radio Commission, 427 1-2 Moreland Avenue, N. E. Atlanta, Georgia.

All votes must be received by the Commission by December 1st, in order to have the poll complete by January 4, the date of the first Baptist Hour broadcast.

IF MY PEOPLE, WHICH ARE CALLED BY MY NAME, SHALL HUMBLE THEMSELVES, AND PRAY, AND SEEK MY FACE, AND TURN FROM THEIR WICKED WAYS; THEN WILL I HEAR FROM HEAVEN, AND WILL FORGIVE THEIR SIN, AND WILL HEAL THEIR LAND.

II CHRONICLES 7:14

## Churches In Prayer Meetings New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, '47

"If my people shall humble themselves and pray," II Chronicles 7:14.

Because of the fact that civilization is probably facing the most critical hour in the history of man, we, the undersigned Southern Baptist leaders, are making the most earnest appeal of which we are capable to all Southern Baptist churches, regardless of size or location, to join together in the mightiest prayer meeting ever held by our people on New Year's Eve, December 31, 1947. The above date fall on Wednesday night, the time of our midweek prayer service; but we are urging that the service will be different from the usual prayer meetings in that:

First, no church shall be hampered with the problem of time. Begin as early as you choose and stay as late as you choose.

Second, make the service one of song, praise, testimony, and prayer.

Third, make an appeal that everyone present who will pledge to try to lead at least one lost soul to Christ during 1948 come forward and give the leader his hand as a covenant.

Fourth, the following are suggested objects of prayer:

1. Pray for a revival to come in your own heart.

2. Pray for a revival in your church.

3. Pray for a revival to come to Southern Baptists.

4. Pray for a spiritual awakening to come to this world.

5. Pray for the pastors, evangelists, religious leaders, and the missionaries, home and foreign.

6. Pray for the power of the Holy Spirit to come upon all the leaders.

7. Pray for the State-wide Evangelistic Conference.

8. Pray for the next meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention at Memphis, Tennessee, in May, 1948.

9. Pray for a burden to come to your heart for a lost world.

Signed:

Louie D. Newton, President of Southern Baptist Convention; Duke K. McCall, Executive Secretary of Southern Baptist Convention; M. Theron Rankin, Executive Secretary of Foreign Mission Board; J. B. Lawrence, Executive Secretary of Home Mission Board; T. L. Holcomb, Executive Secretary of Sunday School Board; Walter Alexander, Executive Secretary of Relief and Annuity Board; Miss Kathleen Mallory, Executive Secretary of Woman's Missionary Union; Lawson H. Cooke, Executive Secretary of Brotherhood; J. F. Lowe, Executive Secretary of Radio Commission, and George B. Fraser, Chairman of the Executive Committee of Southern Baptist Convention.





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DR. CLAUD BOWEN

The above are inspirational speakers for four of our District Brotherhood Conferences that begin October 27 and go through November 7. Rev. Hamlet is to speak at the District Three meeting to be held at Batesville on November 6. Rev. Parker is to speak at District Four meeting at Calvary Church in Tupelo on November 4, and also at the meeting of District Five at First Church, Starkville, on November 3. Dr. Bowen will bring the inspirational message at Summit, for District Eight meeting on October 31. All will speak on the subject "Our Men in Christian Stewardship."

### Program MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST District Brotherhood Conferences

7:30 p. m.	Meal and Fellowship Period
8:00 p. m.	Song and Praise
8:15 p. m.	Reports
8:30 p. m.	"The Brotherhood at Work"
	First week, L. H. Tapscott
	Second week, George W. Schroeder
8:55 p. m.	Special Music
9:00 p. m.	"Our Men in Christian Stewardship"
9:30 p. m.	Adjourn

District	Meeting Place	Date	Speaker
1	Mississippi College	October 27	J. H. Kyzar
2	Greenwood, First Church	November 7	Wyatt Hunter
3	Batesville	November 6	C. B. Hamlet, III
4	Tupelo, Calvary Church	November 4	J. B. Parker
5	Starkville	November 3	J. B. Parker
6	Clarke College	October 28	J. C. Murphy
7	Woman's College	October 30	James Parish
8	Summit Junior College	October 31	Claud Bowen

Notice: Please advise the following hosts ahead of time how many to prepare meals for:

Mississippi College	Dr. D. M. Nelson
Greenwood, First Church	No Meal Served
Batesville	Rev. Robert Martin
Tupelo, Calvary Church	Dr. F. M. Powell
Starkville	Mr. Ben Seitz
Clarke College	Dr. W. E. Greene
Woman's College	Dr. I. E. Rouse
Summit Jr. College	Dr. H. D. Pickens

## Cherry Creek Plans Homecoming Oct. 26

Cherry Creek Church, Pontotoc County, has planned a Homecoming Day Program with dinner on the grounds for October 26, 1947.

Rev. Ivyloy Bishop, Southwide Secretary for Royal Ambassadors, Birmingham, Alabama, will preach at 11:00 a. m.

In the afternoon Miss Edwina Robinson, State WMU Secretary, Jackson, will tell about her recent trip to the meeting of the Baptist World Alliance in Denmark.

Dr. and Mrs. Richard Trott, Oxford, will lead the singing at both services and render special numbers. Friends and former members are cordially invited to be present on this great day. The pastor, Dr. W. C. Tyler extends a hearty invitation to all.

## ARMSTRONG IN REVIVAL AT SUNFLOWER

Rev. Boyd Armstrong of Columbus closed a Revival with W. L. Marsh at Sunflower, Sunday night, September 21st, with nine additions to the church, four by baptism.

The reporter from Sunflower wishes the Baptist Record to correct the statement recently printed in the Record, with apology. It should have read—twenty-four additions to the church there this year,—to that date. Vacation Bible School enrollment was 69 with an average attendance of 55.

There have been 33 additions to Sunflower church since Bro. Marsh came there Dec. 1, 1946. There have been a total of 87 additions to the churches of the Rome, Sunflower field under his ministry since Dec. 1. Thirty nine of these have come by baptism.

## Department Of Temperance Activities

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### STATE WIDE TEMPERANCE RALLY, NOVEMBER 10

Miss Ruth Sterling, a 1947 graduate of Blue Mountain, has begun her work in this department as office secretary. We are happy to have her as a co-laborer and trust that you shall continue to pray for us as we press the work of this department.

Remember the state-wide temperance rally to be held in the First Baptist Church, Jackson, on November 10. The program will be given in this column next week. It is to be a one day rally with the program beginning at 2:00 p. m. closing with the evening hour. It is our desire to have every county in the state represented at this meeting.

God's people over the state are expressing an interest in this work. Now is the time when everyone can do something that will help in the crusade against evil and for civic righteousness. A state-wide organization should be set up at this meeting. If your county has a Christian Citizens' League of any kind, whether active or

not, try to have several representatives in this meeting.

The licentiousness of this day is appalling. Lawlessness and crime run rampant. The youth of our Christian nation lead the world in crime. Strong drink is responsible for the majority of it. Political corruption threatens to undermine our government and destroy law and order, also respect for the same. Chaos reigns. Something can be done about it, but it will take effort. A better day is not going to come automatically while we sit down and wish for it. Those who love God and are interested in young people should give their full co-operation in this all important work. We are counting on you.

The associational meetings are giving us great opportunity to get the work before our people and in every place the response is most gratifying. More will be said about the Leagues in this column in the next few weeks. **STATE WIDE TEMPERANCE RALLY, NOVEMBER 10.**

## WEST POINT PASTOR GOES TO LOUISIANA COLLEGE

Dr. James C. Taylor for the past year Pastor of the First Church, West Point, has been elected Professor in the Bible Department of Louisiana College, Pineville (Baptist College for Louisiana). He has accepted and will leave West Point in November for Pineville.

Dr. Taylor has done an outstanding work at West Point and much growth has been recorded.

A native of Florence, Dr. Taylor is a B. A. Graduate of Mississippi College ('35) and holds Th. D. degree from the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

In 1943, he left the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Bay Minette, Alabama to enter the Naval Chaplaincy. After three years in the chaplaincy, he reentered the Seminary at New Orleans and completed requirements for the degree of Doctor of Theology.

## Holly Springs Plans Laymen's Revival

The First Church, Holly Springs, is planning a Brotherhood Revival and Laymen's Emphasis Week for October. 27-Nov. 2. Message will be delivered by the following prominent Baptists: Monday Evening, Oct. 27, Dr. R. G. Lee will speak on, "The Menace of Mediocrity"; Tuesday Evening Dr. Harry L. Martin, "The Religion of a Plow"; Wednesday Evening Judge John W. McCall, "As the Judge Looked Upon All Men"; Thursday Evening Joe McMillian, President of the Memphis Branch of New York Life Insurance Company; Friday Evening Major W. E. Holcomb, Director of the War Assets Administration of Jackson, "Our Reasonable Service."

On Sunday, November 2, Dr. D. M. Nelson will speak at both services on "Some Qualifications of Kingdom Citizenship," and "The Wise Choice."

The week is being sponsored by the Men's Brotherhood.

## Enjoying A Hospital Experience

In a recent letter C. F. Anglin of French Camp, tells some experiences regarding a recent hospital experience. Once, one of his friends unintentionally said, "I hope you enjoy your operation," as they were bidding him goodbye on a former occasion. He declared he did not enjoy that operation, but in his latest experience he recounts that he did enjoy meeting numbers of interesting people, had the best medical men attending him, had the best nurses who were kind and thoughtful, and went home hoping soon to be well again.

During his visit in the Baptist Hospital in Jackson, he was not confined to his bed all the time and tried to minister in a friendly and helpful way to patients who were not as well as he.

—BR—  
J. S. RISER, SR.

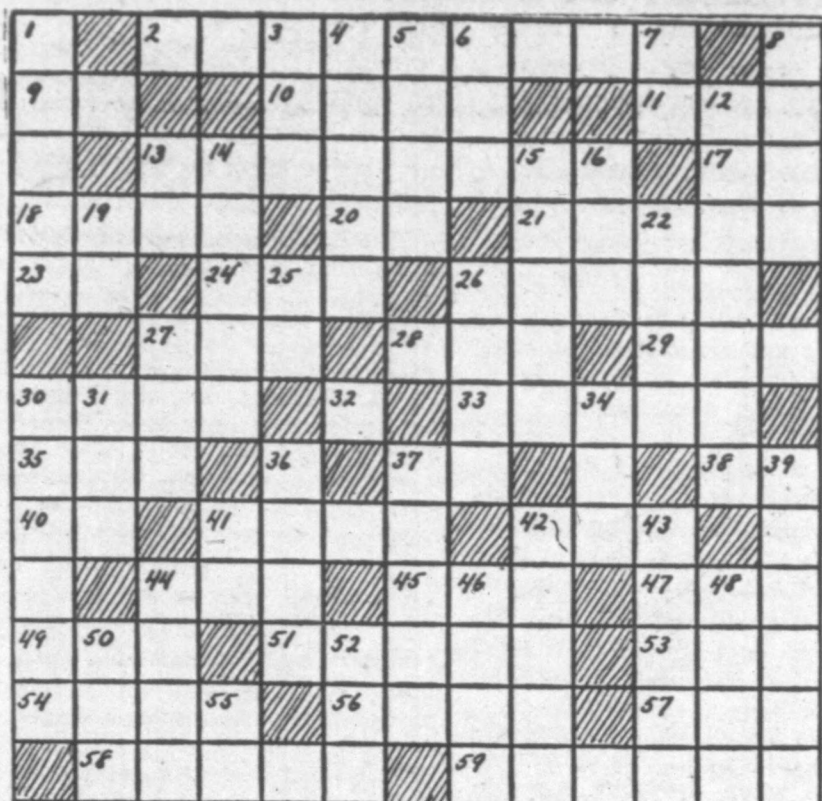
Friends mourned the passing of J. S. Riser, Sr., who passed away at the age of 85 years. At his death he lived in a house he built 65 years ago. He was buried in Bethesda Cemetery, near Terry. He was converted in this church 70 years ago. All his life was spent in Hinds county. He was a deacon and Sunday school superintendent many years, and served as clerk of the old Central Association a long time. He resigned as moderator of the Hinds-Warren Association a few years ago, due to ill health.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Luella Hendricks Riser and five sons and three daughters, Walter B. Riser, Lexington, Miss., Henry P. Riser, Jackson, Miss., Dr. J. S. Riser, Jr., Pastor of Central Avenue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, George G. Riser, Raymond, Miss., Hillman H. Riser, Terry, Miss., Mrs. C. E. Michael Inglewood, California, Mrs. N. D. Hollingsworth, Terry, Miss., and Mrs. Ray Johnson, Bentonla, Miss.

—BR—  
Dr. Claude B. Bowen, Pastor, Calvary Church, Jackson, is the author of an interesting article, "Will You Remodel?" in the November issue of the Sunday School Builder.



## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



"God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth."—John 4:24.

## HORIZONTAL

- 2 and 13 "... of this water shall thirst again" John 4:13  
 9 Hebrew deity  
 10 "in their hands they shall ... thee up" Matt. 4:6  
 11 Equality (comb. form)  
 13 See 2 across  
 17 Transpose  
 18 "springing up into everlasting ..." John 4:14  
 20 Sunday School  
 21 "when they had ... about five and twenty or thirty furlongs" John 6:19  
 23 "I have meat to eat that ye know not ..." John 4:32  
 24 "But ... hour cometh, and now is" John 4:23  
 26 "from whence then hast thou that living. ..." John 4:11  
 27 Bag  
 28 "Now Jacob's well ... there" John 4:6  
 29 Lighted  
 30 "How is it ... thou, being a Jew, asked drink" John 4:9  
 32 "... that speak unto thee am he" John 4:26  
 33 "True worshippers ... worship the Father" John 4:23  
 35 "Sir, I perceive that thou ... a prophet" John 4:19  
 37 Grand Tyler  
 38 Plural ending of nouns  
 40 The (Fr.)  
 41 "... me to drink" John 4:7  
 42 "thou wouldest have asked of ..." John 4:10  
 44 2000 pounds  
 45 Royal Scottish Academy  
 47 Grandson of Benjamin I Cron. 7:7  
 49 Ephesians  
 51 "... be in him a well of water" John 5:14  
 53 "... thou hast nothing to draw with" John 4:11  
 54 "and the well is ..." John 4:11  
 56 Silkworm  
 57 Final  
 58 "good were it for that man if he had ... been born" Mark 14:21  
 59 "Sir, give me this water, that I ... not" John 4:15  
 A saying of Jesus is 2, 13, 23, 24, 26, 30, 41, 42, 51, 58, and combined

## VERTICAL

- 1 Violoncello  
 3 Japanese sash  
 4 Reason  
 5 "and he was strong as the ..." Amos 2:9  
 6 "how long will it be ... they attain to innocency" Hosea 8:5

## 7 Japanese measure

- 8 "many more believed because of his own ..." John 4:41  
 12 Aseptic  
 13 Defender of the Faith  
 14 To tat again  
 15 Rubbish  
 16 "thou are neither cold nor ..." Rev. 3:15  
 19 "... thou knewest the gift of God" John 4:10  
 22 "our father Jacob, which gave us the ..." John 4:12  
 25 House of Commons  
 26 "which art, and ... and art to come" Rev. 11:17  
 27 "wearied with his journey, ... thus on the well" John 4:6  
 30 Jesus ... with the woman of Samaria  
 31 Holy Roman Empire  
 34 Servant of Solomon Ezra 2:57  
 36 "repentance for the remission of ..." Luke 3:3  
 37 Ancient city south of Gaza Gen. 10:19  
 39 "God is a ..." John 4:24  
 41 "And he must needs ... through Samaria" John 4:4  
 42 Place to which a portion of the Israelites were transported by Shalmaneser II Kings 17:6  
 43 Money hoarder  
 44 "he would have given ... living water" John 4:10  
 46 Long cut  
 48 Tears  
 50 "not with ink and ... write unto thee" III John 13  
 52 "Jesus said into ... Woman, believe me" John 4:21  
 55 Post village

## Church To Give All Tithing Excess To Co-Operative Program Objects

MURRAY, Ky., —(BP)— The First Baptist Church here, anticipating greatly increased gifts during the three months "test the tithe" period this fall, has voted unanimously to give all receipts above the regular budget during this period to the Co-operative Program.

The church action came in a stewardship revival being conducted by Dr. J. E. Dillard of Nashville, Tenn. Pastor B. B. Sawyer hopes the increased offerings will be sufficient to give an extra \$10,000 to denominational causes.

## DIVISION OF COOPERATIVE PROGRAM FUNDS

By Rev. J. H. Street

A recommendation will be presented to the Mississippi Baptist Convention in its November session that the division of distributable Co-operative Program funds be changed from the sixty-fifty basis we now use to a fifty-fifty basis, as it was before the depression. In order that our people may be thinking over the matter and praying over it, we wish to call attention to a few of the facts that need to be considered.

## Basis Was Once 50-50

Back in the twenties the division of distributable Co-operative Program funds was on the basis of fifty per cent for southwide (worldwide) causes. Inasmuch as both the churches and the denomination are working toward placing larger proportions of their denominational contributions in the cause of the evangelization of the world, it seems that we should certainly return to the half-and-half proportion of dividing funds as soon as possible.

## Conditions Have Improved

The circumstance which were the chief causes the change from the fifty-fifty basis no longer exist. The change was first made to 55 (state) and 45 (southwide) according to the best information we can obtain; and later the percentage of 60 per cent for state interests and 40 per cent for southwide interests was fixed. This latter percentage is the one in use at present.

We are informed that the change was made to favor state interests because of the straightened financial conditions which came in the late twenties and the early thirties. We all know that in this dire period the denomination was heavily in debt and the receipts were very low. All can understand the pressure upon the Convention which caused the revision of percentages in favor of state causes.

But in December of 1944 our state became free of debt and a general celebration was held in Jackson on December 12. Receipts also increased. In 1939 total receipts through the Convention Board office were \$202,692.45. In 1946 receipts through the Board were \$1,810,615.56, or nearly nine times what they were in 1939. Co-operative Program receipts for 1939 were \$103,920.72; in 1946 the Co-operative Program received \$559,332.39, or more than 500 percent increases over 1939. These increases are cause for tremendous rejoicing. There is also cause for appreciation of a great executive secretary of the State Convention Board, whose dynamic growth and present prosperity of our state work and other denominational interests. Dr. McCall has led vigorously and the people have given him generous co-operation; and God has given the increase.

Since the debts are paid, and since our income has increased many times over, ought we not to change the basis of the division of distributable Co-operative Program funds back now to the standard we had before the depression?

## Many States Share 50-50

Third, a majority of other comparable Southern Baptist states divide their funds on 50-50 basis. In the following list the percentage to state causes is given first: Florida, 50-50; Tennessee, 50-50; Maryland, 50-50; Illinois, 50-50; Kentucky, 50-50; North Carolina, 50-50; Virginia, 50-50; South Carolina, 50-50; Texas, 53.6-46.40; Georgia, 55-45; Oklahoma, 60-40; Alabama, 60-40; Mississippi, 60-40; District of Columbia, 62 1-2-37 1-2; Louisiana, 65-35; Arizona, 70-30; California, 75-25; New Mexico, 75-25. Thus it is seen that eight states divide on 50-50 basis. Of the latting to denominational work, only two others give as low a proportion to southwide causes as Mississippi—Oklahoma and Alabama. Louisiana has heavy local mission burdens; and in Arizona, New Mexico, California and the District of Columbia, the Southern Baptist cause is relatively weak or new. We must face the fact that Mississippi is near

the bottom of the list in percentage of denominational funds sent to the causes outside the state.

Is it fair for Mississippi Baptists, in an era of unprecedented prosperity, to allow ten other sister states to give more of their funds to causes beyond their borders than we do? Are we letting other states bear more of the south, and world wide missionary program than we are willing to bear? Have we looked these facts straight in the eye? Ought not our Convention, either directly or through the Conovention Board, to change our plan of division of funds back to the original figure of 50-50? There is a deep conviction in my own heart that we should do so.

It may be pointed out that we have pressing needs in the state at this time. This certainly is true. But we must look at some considerations on the other side of the question. Other states have their pressing needs, too; and eight of them are dividing 50-50. Again, practically every state cause we have is receiving large special offerings; and it is easier for a local cause to profit by special offerings than it is for the world program of Southern Baptists to thus profit. Our institutions and agencies are in the best financial condition they have ever been in. If we ever intend to increase our outside mission gifts, is no the time ripe now to do so? It may be said that only Mississippi looks after our state interests and that many states combine to support Southern Baptist causes; but we the needs of the lost world, for which we are responsible to the limit of our ability, not greater than all the combined twenty units of the Southern Baptist Convention can meet?

## Crucial Hour for World Missions

Dr. W. Dewey Moore, missionary to Italy, once said to me, "We are making a side-show out of foreign missions." Struck by this remark, I asked, "Do you mean the churches or the denomination?" His reply was, "Both". Is Mississippi helping to make a side-show out of the Southern Baptist missionary enterprise by retaining six tenths of all Co-operative Program money in the state, and that after considerable administrative expense has already been deducted before the division is made?

Dr. M. T. Rankin, of the Foreign Mission Board, in his book, "Now is the Day," quotes a Baptist naval commander who had charge of a unit of Seabees in the Pacific during the war. He said, "Compared with the way we put on a war, we have played and toyed with missions. We throw out our chests in speaking of accomplishments, when we should hang our heads in shame." Can we continue to feel right toward our representatives in foreign lands when we take the big end of our denominational receipts for our local causes, worthy as they are?

Dr. Rankin says (in the book quoted), "At the low ebb of the depression, the Foreign Mission Board received 2.9 per cent of the total gifts of Southern Baptists. This represented a drop from 8.1 per cent in 1920. With the great increase in giving since 1933, the Foreign Mission Board received in 1945 approximately 3.7 per cent of the gifts of Southern Baptists through their regular church channels. This represents an increase of less than one per cent from the low ebb of the depression. If special campaigns for state causes were included, the Foreign Mission Board's percentage would be lower than the low ebb of the depression." "We are compelled to face the fact," Dr. Rankin continues, "that the interest of Southern Baptists in world missions is represented by \$95,000,000 for ourselves as compared to \$3,500,000 for world evangelization, and by five and a half million members as being represented by five and half hundred missionaries." Are we making a contribution to the darkness of this picture by the basis of our present division of mission funds?

We recognize that our schools and other local denominational work compose the

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## SPARKS &amp; SPLINTERS

The Baptist Church of Quitman has just closed a gracious revival. Dr. Slater Murphy, of Highland Heights Baptist Church of Memphis, did the preaching. E. L. Cooper of Aberdeen directed the song services. Miss Gordy Hughes and Mrs. L. N. Tilson were the pianists. There were great congregations morning and evening. The services were broadcast over public address system. There were 46 additions to the church, 38 on profession of faith and 8 by letter.—W. L. Meadows, Pastor.

Pastor Ray F. Dykes is enjoying his new pastorate at Tylertown. One hundred fifteen people have agreed to it and the offerings for Sunday, October 2 were almost \$600.

During the past summer, Misses Margaret Ann Kern and Dot Parker of Carthage conducted a very successful VBS at Rocky Point church, Leake County. The people were greatly pleased with the work of these young ladies and speak in highest terms of them.

The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of resolutions adopted by the East Columbia Baptist Church concerning Rev. O. C. Chance who recently resigned to accept the pastorate of a church in Waltham County. The resolutions, signed by George Massey, J. P. Spell, and Jesse Davis, spoke in highest terms of the work of Pastor Chance.

Recent visitors to the Baptist Record Office are: Mrs. Bessie L. Eason, Meridian; J. H. Street, Laurel; Julia Mae Martin, Laurel; Billie Gill, Laurel; Dr. Judson Chastain, Poplarville; Rev. J. C. Allen, Carthage; Mrs. E. L. Moore, Wesson; Rev. M. P. Jones, Wesson; Rachel Waggener, Jackson; Rev. Clarence Palmer, Fulton; Rev. Boyd Armstrong, Columbus; Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Dobson, Meridian; Rev. J. P. Bush, Hopewell.

Dr. Slater A. Murphy, Pastor of Highland Heights Church, Memphis, Tennessee, has been elected general chairman of entertaining for the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Memphis in May 1948. All correspondence concerning hotels and room reservations should be sent direct to Dr. Murphy, Faxon at National, Memphis, Tennessee.

On Wednesday night, October 15 at 7:30 the First Baptist Church of Holly Springs held a very beautiful, timely and impressive Deacons Ordination Service. Dr. D. A. McCall, State Secretary, delivered the Ordination message and led in the consecration prayer. The Pastor delivered the charge afresh, not only to those being ordained, but to all of the Deacons, leading in the laying on of hands and a candle light ceremony of consecration for all Deacons and their wives. Those ordained were Charles Jackson and O. B. Kerr. There are now sixteen deacons in this fast growing membership.—H. H. Autman, pastor.

Russel Baptist Church recently honored one of its deacons, W. W. Moore in celebration of his 80th birthday. He has served as a deacon for 45 years and has taken a leading part in all of its activities. Many gifts were presented and there were 75 to share the birthday cake which contained 80 candles.

Pastor John E. Barrow says he is happy to report: "On first call at the two half-time churches he is privileged to serve, there was a total of 63 who pledged themselves to tithe—38 at Becker, and 25 at Bethesda. He is of the opinion that several more at each church will fall in line with God's plan, and by so doing will be recipients of His eternal blessing."

John Boyd, Jr., has been chosen as Sunday School Superintendent at Walnut Baptist church for the new year, and the following will serve with him: Arly Doyle, assistant superintendent; Palmer Harrison, secretary; Miss Lee Opal Hopper, recording secretary; and the following teachers: Joe Byrd, W. T. Byrd, R. E. Davis, Mrs. Palmer Harrison, Howard Luna, Sr., Mrs. Elzie Goodman, Mrs. Jack Wilbanks, Mrs. Arie Doyle, Mrs. John Boyd, Jr., and Mrs. Howard Luna.

A. T. Ohrn, Oslo, Norway, is scheduled to become general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance with headquarters in Washington. Dr. W. O. Lewis will remain as associate secretary and will have an office in London.

A recent item in the Baptist Record stated that Rev. L. C. Brown had recently moved to Natchez, from Deridder, La. We have no knowledge of how that word, Natchez, got into that paragraph. Mr. Brown has moved to Madison and not to Natchez.

RED GALLUSES is a story of Georgia politics, but mostly about the late Governor, Eugene Couch. It is an interesting and thrilling story of how politics is run in Georgia. The author is Allen Lumpkin Henson and the publisher is The House of Endinboro, 21 Edinboro St., Boston, Mass. The author, an Atlanta Attorney was Assistant Attorney General of Georgia at the age of 22. He held that office under three administrations. On one momentous occasion in defiance of the orders of the governor and Commander-in-Chief, he seized command of the National Guard and prevented the governor from being taken by a mob. But, read the story, it is interesting. The price is \$3.00. The orders should be sent to the publisher.

Miss Alma Coaker of Cedar Grove Church, Greene County recently sent a nice list of new renewal subscriptions. Such lists help keep the Baptist Record at more than 58,000 circulation every week.

A religious census by the San Diego Department of Evangelism revealed so many non-participating church members that the completion of the census was delayed to allow workers time to call on prospects.

Enrollment at the Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., for the first term of the current school year totals 754, about the same as that for the first term a year ago. This includes 701 men, and 43 men and women in the School of Church Music.

First Baptist Church, Camdenton, Mo., has just experienced a revival series which Dr. William Potter, former Mississippi pastor, describes as "an emergence from ordinary Christianity to a positive Bible testimony of New Testament proportions." In a letter to the Record, Dr. Potter praises and commends to his Mississippi brethren the evangelistic preaching of Rev. B. B. Caldwell, pastor of the Westview Baptist Church, Greenville, S. C. Said the former Carthage pastor of Bro. Caldwell, "if my Mississippi brethren want Bible preaching that will charge their congregation with Spiritual fire and produce New Testament results, invite Bro. Caldwell to be your evangelist." The Camdenton church experienced 64 decisions during the two weeks meeting.

**TITHING CAMPAIGN CONTINUES** — "We may be a little late, but we want our church to do its best in getting every member to tithe," a Kentucky woman has written the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee. Her church is at Mt. Salem, near Hustonville, Ky., and she explains: "As we have been without a pastor for a few months and have just called one we would appreciate your mailing him literature on Tithers Enlistment Day. We may be a little late but we want our church to do its best in getting every member to tithe." The letter was signed by Mrs. B. C. Harris.

**CHAPEL HILL, N. C.** — (RNS) — A new Department of Religion has been established at the University of North Carolina, and Dr. Arnold Nash, of the McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago, has been named to head it.

**BROOKLYN, N. Y.** — (RNS) — For the first time in its 140 years history, the Baptist Missionary Convention of the State of New York, will have a woman president. The new president, Mrs. Paul R. Gleason, of Hamilton, N. Y., was chosen by the 1,500 delegates meeting here. Previously a vice president, she succeeds the Rev. Shields T. Hardin, pastor of the Olean Baptist Church, New York.

**The Christmas Story in Picture** (30c) is an ideal book for children. In attractive picture form the story of Jesus from birth to His appearance in the Temple is told in an impressive way. Orders should be sent to the Concordia Publishing House, 3,555 South Jefferson Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

There are more than 700,000 children and young people in New York City who are not in touch with either church or synagogue.

## DIVISION OF COOPERATIVE PROGRAM FUNDS

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foundation for the world missionary program; but we must face other facts in this connection. One is a statement from Dr. Rankin released in September "The Foreign Mission Board has at the present time more volunteers for foreign mission work than we can support without available funds"; and "during the present year we shall decline not less than 25 volunteers who would be appointed if we had the prospects of income sufficient to support them. Unless our income is increased, I estimate that we shall have to decline not less than 50 appointees in 1948." Can we justify ourselves in retaining so much of our funds at home while the Lord's called ambassadors knock in vain at our doors for assistance in giving their lives for Him in foreign fields?

## Turn About at Least

Since we have had and used the advantage in the division of funds for several years, would it not be only good sportsmanship and fair play now to even the division of distributable mission funds?

## Proper Balance of Cooperative Program Involved

We are constantly, and properly, asking for larger and larger proportions of our funds to be given to the Co-operative Program. Thus we are placed under very sacred responsibility to keep the allotment of funds from the co-operative program as nearly balanced as possible, giving to each cause in proportion to its relative importance and need. Only as this adjustment is kept right can we expect the increased or even continued support of the Co-operative Program as such.

May the Lord give us wisdom. May His will be done.

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A nice list of new and renewal subscriptions was recently received from Deerbrook Church, Noxubee County.



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## Alliance Stresses World Youth Work

By Frank H. Leavell, Secretary Youth Committee, Baptist World Alliance

Youth work was stepped up at Copenhagen and that means throughout the entire world.

One of the sectional meetings of the Congress program was given over to youth and youth interests. Its program was prepared by the Youth Committee of the Alliance. The meeting was presided over by Dr. T. G. Dunning of London, chairman of the Youth Committee. The house was filled to the top gallery. The speakers represented seven nations.

At Copenhagen, before the Congress itself there were two meetings of the Youth Committee. A report was prepared to be presented to the Executive Committee of the Alliance of which the Youth Committee is an auxiliary. Some vacancies in the committee, the membership of which is limited by constitution to 15, were filled. T. G. Dunning of London and Frank H. Leavell were reinstated as chairman and secretary respectively of the committee. Enlarged plans were outlined for the immediate future.

By approval of, and in cooperation with, the Executive Committee of the Alliance it was voted that the next Baptist Youth World Congress should be held in 1949. An invitation was submitted immediately from Rome, Italy. It was favorably received. Also, invitations came from Stockholm, Sweden, and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The Executive Committee voted that this meeting should be held somewhere in Europe and for that reason the 1950 meeting of the Alliance would not be held in Europe.

Further action of the Executive Committee was that T. G. Dunning and Frank H. Leavell were elected as members of the Executive Committee of the Alliance. This was upon the recommendation of the Youth Committee itself. An adequate financial subsidy was provided for the expenses of the work of the Youth Committee, and, most meaningful of all, the Executive Committee voted favorably upon the proposal for a full-time Baptist Youth World Secretary with program and headquarters to be decided upon. This last item was referred to the Executive Committee for further action.

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## A CAMPAIGN FOR CONCERN

By Robert G. Lee, D.D.

"I looked on my right hand, and beheld, but there was no man that would know me: refuge failed me; no man cared for my soul"—Psalms 142:4.

Many campaigns we have known. In some of them, we have participated—with more or less success. But I believe we need a campaign for concern. And this campaign for compassionate concern should be given priority over some other campaigns—or carried along with all worthy campaigns to assure their success.

Frederick Taylor, more in lamentation about Christians than in criticism of Christians, recently said: "It seems we have lost a word out of our Christian vocabulary—the word CONCERN". Dr. Henderson, a preacher with spiritual passion, knowing that the need of the hour is a holy concern for the souls of men, made this alarming assertion: "The average

church officer has not the slightest spiritual concern for the salvation of other people".

I fear many unsaved could indict us and find us guilty by looking at us and saying "No man cared for my soul". Are choirs guilty under the indictment that they sing without spiritual concern for the salvation of the lost? Is the accusation true that some teach and some preach and some lead in missionary activities in the church without genuine spiritual concern for the souls of the unsaved? Do we ever say to the lost what Whitfield said: "I am willing to go to prison and to death for you, but I am not willing to go to heaven without you"?

Will the lost ever give us attentive ears if they are convinced that our concern for their souls is only a casual care that is afflicted with intermittency? Do we not need a campaign for concern?—A revival of concern? Is there not too much refined and self-satisfied, smugly-comfortable, semi-humorous, wholly good-natured indifference which dislikes anything which disturbs its comfort? Are not too many Christians, with the unsaved all around us, living with the smug contentment of country gentlemen rather than with the courage of Christian Crusaders? Are not the most appalling scandals and evils that threaten a nation's moral life passed by with a mere shrug of the shoulders?

Let us inaugurate and carry through campaigns for spiritual concern—for Christ-like care. Abraham cared—and persistently plead for two God-defying, destruction-deserving cities. Moses cared—and was willing for God to blot him out. Samuel cared—"and he cried all night unto the Lord". Job cared—and, though he was a festering mass and mess of diseased flesh, he held on to his faith in God. Elijah cared—and, with heart and lips of flame, he called an apostate nation back to God. Amos cared—and, with agony of heart, he impeached civilizations. Isaiah cared—and he, in whose preaching was the growl of the Assyrian wolf and the thunders of Sinai and the foregleams of Calvary, rocked thrones with terror. Ezekiel cared—and he ate filth to show the horrors of slavery. Joseph cared—and he took famine fear from a nation's heart. David cared—and, with agony of heart, he said "Mine eyes run rivers of water because they have forsaken thy law". Jeremiah cared—and his weeping was like the weeping of a broken-hearted archangel over a lost world. Paul cared—and he "counted all things but loss that he might know Jesus and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of his suffering".

Broadus cared—and the seminary, now enshrined in many hearts, now sending out the light of truth, did not die. Carroll cared—and the Southwestern Seminary leaped almost full grown from his great brain. Livingstone cared—and he opened in dark Africa the highway, marked now by the tombstones of martyr missionaries, over which Ethiopia now stumbles with outstretched hands toward God. John Anderson cared—and he went to a death couch of mud and muck in a Chinese river that some few in China might turn their eyes from the tombs of the ancestors to the Cross of Christ. John and Betty Stam cared—and they who in youth became husband and wife amid the fragrance of orange blossoms bowed their heads together to the sword of bandits amid the miasmaic atmosphere of an alien village. Moody cared—and slept never at night until he had spoken to some-



Mrs. L. R. Alford, wife of the pastor of Harperville Baptist Church, is again winner in the Downtown Art Exhibit which is sponsored annually by the Mississippi Art Association and the Jackson Daily News. This year, Mrs. Alford placed second with a pastel still life study of apples. Last year she received first award in the ceramic group with an entry entitled "Mary's Well."

Mrs. Alford uses her talent in Christian service in many ways such as poster making, illustrating hymns, and giving chalk talks.

one about the salvation of the soul through faith in Jesus. Asbury cared—and, in proclamation of the Gospel, he travelled on horseback a distance equal to five circuits around the world every five years.

But more than others could care, Jesus cared. His concern, as in unspeakable anguish, he contemplated the catastrophe that would come to Jerusalem, and wept. By His back cut to shreds, by the merciless scourge, by His cheeks from which cruel fingers plucked out His beard, by the dirty sputum that befouled His face, by the iron spikes that nailed His quivering flesh and jerking feet to the cross, by the thorns that punctured His holy brow, by the thirst that was not quenched by vinegar and gall, by His agony of soul beyond the tortures of hell, I declare that Jesus cared for the souls of men.

I urge upon Southern Baptists and all Christians everywhere a campaign of spiritual care for the souls of men.

A. G. Blackburn, a well-known Christian worker, tells of the concern of a little girl of seven years for her unsaved father. This little girl was dying, when God's servant went to see her. She lived in a back street. When Mr. Blackburn got there a woman showed him where the child was. He sat down.

"What do you want, darling?" he asked.

"I want to see you before I die," she said.

"Why!" said he, "are you dying?"

"Yes, sir."

"Would you not like to get well again?"

"I hope not, sir."

"Why not?"

"Why, sir," she said, "ever since I became a Christian, I've been trying to bring my father to hear you preach, and he will not come. And I think if I die, you will bury me, won't you?"

"Yes, darling."

"Well, I've been thinking, if I die, father must go to the funeral; then you will be able to preach the Gospel to him. And I would be willing to die six times over for him to hear the Gospel once."

Just as she was to have been buried, God's good man was seriously ill himself.

Time passed on, and a tough-looking

## AMERICAN GI'S SPONSOR GERMAN SUNDAY SCHOOL

By Melba Marshall, Baptist Press

The scene is a very familiar one—a room full of bright-faced children singing "Jesus Loves Me," or learning memory verses from a New Testament, or reverently bowing their heads in prayer, or listening intently as the teacher tells them a story. It appears to be just another class in one of our Southland's churches. But the words of their songs and memory verses are in a different language, and an interpreter is necessary for the teacher to be understood, their meeting place is a chaplain center instead of a church.

It is the "Deutsche Sonntag Schule," the first Sunday school of record to be started by GI's in Germany. Here, therefore, denied a religious education, the children of Wiesbaden, Germany, eagerly attend this Bible school each Sunday. From a small group the first few weeks, the attendance has grown by word of mouth to an average of 250 to 300. Army truck loads of neat, well-scrubbed children, ages five to 16, are brought into Wiesbaden from neighboring villages.

The school is divided into three classes, but there are plans for dividing it into smaller groups to assist in further personalizing the teaching. Literature used includes pictures and Primary Teacher quarterlies published by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Pfc. Herman D. Stout, chaplain's assistant, translates the lessons into German, condenses them to a few paragraphs, and prints them on the picture cards. Other literature is also translated into German for the children's reading. Each child is presented with a Testament or Bible. "We cannot begin to tell of our appreciation to you, our Baptist brethren of the Southern Baptist Convention, for your aid in God's work here in Germany," wrote Pfc. Stout with the last order. Herman and his twin brother, Herbert, of Hobbs, N.M., have played a large part in the success of the school.

The songs which the children like to sing are "Jesus Loves the Little Children," "Into My Heart," "In My Heart There Rings A Melody," and "Jesus Loves Me."

Hearing of the success of this first Sunday Schule, other soldiers are organizing more schools. And these schools will touch indirectly many more lives, for the children carry to their homes the songs and stories they have learned. "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old—we shall have a better Germany."

fellow called upon God's servant, and held out his hand. "You do not know me."

"No, I do not."

"I am the father of Mary, the father she died for; for I heard as how she said she would die for me six times, if I could only hear the Gospel once. It nearly broke my heart—and now I want to learn the way of salvation."

And he was brought to a knowledge of Jesus.

Many of our friends and many loved ones would be brought to a saving knowledge of Jesus—if only we had the concern that held captive the heart of the little girl.

A campaign for CONCERN we need—and must have!